

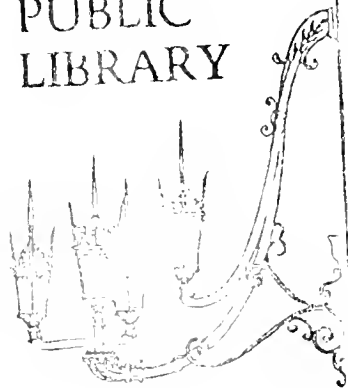
GOVDOC

PPA

2316

1176

BOSTON  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY







GOVDOC

BRA

2316

1976

Property Of  
**BOSTON DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
Library

*Handwritten note:*  
BOSTON DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, 1976

*Handwritten notes:*  
1974  
14.5  
- 10% of already used  
- plus annual increase  
28.5  
3.5

Program Budget By Neighborhood

January 16, 1976

C50  
B  
1976

Boston. Office of the Mayor.

250

13

1000

## Introduction:

In the following pages, the Neighborhood Improvement Program for each of Boston's 19 Little City Hall Districts is presented for both 1975 and 1976.

For each neighborhood, the program budget is intended to illustrate programs and projects in the broad area of housing and community development which will be in operation--either in planning, design, under contract or under construction--during the course of the 1976 calendar year.

The primary sources of funding for the Neighborhood Improvement Program are the City's capital budget and Community Development funds, along with remaining urban renewal funds, public housing modernization funds, and other federal and state sources.

Clearly, this format could include other funding sources and programs related to "community development", and could be developed on a basis other than the calendar year. The purpose of this format is to provide residents of each of Boston's neighborhoods with an understanding of:

- All activities underway in their community in the course of a year
- How different budgetary sources are planned for and used in a comprehensive program for community development
- The relationship between programs and projects funded from different sources

Finally, a few notes on the use of this budget:

1. Budget data for 1975 reflect, in most cases, actual costs of a project or contract encumbrances. For 1976, budgeted costs for Community Development-funded activities reflect cost estimates, and are subject to change as contracts are bid or negotiated.
2. Many projects, particularly major capital projects, extend over a period of more than a year. For purposes of this document, the 1975 column depicts projects funded either from the 1975 Community Development entitlement, or projects from a capital budget authorization which are expected to be substantially under construction during 1975. For 1976, only projects to be funded from the 1976 Community Development entitlement are shown, due to uncertainties in the municipal bond market. Other programs, such as human service programs, may be budgeted on an off-year cycle, and an annual budget is shown.
3. Budget data for neighborhoods generally do not reflect direct or indirect administrative costs. For example, costs of housing rehab staff and engineering costs are not here attributed to specific neighborhood projects.
4. Some programs, especially human service programs, serve an area broader than one Little City Hall district. Where appropriate, these have been attributed to the district which comprises most of the service area and, in some cases, attributed to two or more districts.





DRAFT

ALLSTON-BRIGHTON: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The primary goal of the 1975 and 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program is the stabilization of the residential areas of Allston-Brighton. The City intends to achieve this goal by improving the housing stock, addressing the parking problem, and by substantially upgrading public facilities.

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program focuses on Housing Improvement grants, major park improvements and the upgrading of a major artery, the Washington Brighton Corridor.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Additional HIP funds will be available for the rehabilitation of owner-occupied buildings (1 to 6 units) in Allston-Brighton. In 1975, the initial budget for housing improvement was \$150,000. To meet additional demand, 1975 funds have been increased to provide for the rehabilitation of approximately 450 buildings. Approximately the same amount has been budgeted for 1976.	\$ 250,000 CD	\$ 250,000 CD
- Modernization of Public Housing at Faneuil Street Development. (Boiler Repairs)		200,000 CD
- Modernization of Public Housing at the Commonwealth Avenue Development. (State modernization funds)		212,000
- The construction of 225 units of elderly housing by the BHA at the corner of Washington Street and Corey Road. (Federal Turnkey program - In Planning)	6,878,900	
Funds are reserved from 1975 contingency account to assist in development of plaza adjacent to the elderly housing.	50,000 CD	

NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Construction of an off-street parking lot on Harvard Avenue between Commonwealth Avenue and Brighton Avenue. (Under Construction)	485,000	
- Traffic Operations Program to Increase Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on urban roadways. (Under construction)		
- Cleveland Circle	400,000	
- Cambridge Street		
- Washington Street	900,000	
- Footpatrolmen (Harvard Avenue)	42,640 CD	42,640 CD



19751976

- |   |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| - Additional Business District Amenities - trees, kiosks, benches, bollards, etc., for Harvard Avenue and Cleveland Circle (50% match from businessmen) | \$ 25,000 CD | \$ 10,000 CD |
|---|--------------|--------------|

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- |   |            |           |
|---|------------|-----------|
| - Jackson Mann Elementary and Special School. (Completed) | 12,550,000 |           |
| - Union Square Fire Station. (Under Construction)         | 1,500,000  |           |
| - Brighton Municipal Building. (In Design)                | 35,000     |           |
| - Brighton Center Parking Lot - Phase II. (In Planning)   | 106,000    |           |
| - Second Tow Lot. (Lease)                                 |            | 50,000 CD |
| - Victory Garden  |            | 7,500 CD  |

Parks

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Fidelis Way Park - Phase II: Develop sitting area, game courts, play parks. (Construction to begin in Spring, 1976) | 380,000 CD |            |
| - McKinney Playground   |            |            |
| - Play equipment complex Phase I. (Completed)   | 60,000     |            |
| - Ballfields Phase II. (Pending bonding authority)  | 112,000    |            |
| - Little League Field Phase III - restoration of field, new fence and resurfacing of tennis courts                    |            | 65,000 CD  |
| - Portsmouth Street Playground play equipment complex   |            | 100,000 CD |
| - Oak Square Playground playfield (Completed)   | 70,000     |            |
| - Rogers Park play equipment complex (Under Construction)   | 100,000    |            |
| - Smith Playground development of Little League Field and flood lights (Completed)                                    | 270,000    |            |



3. Water pipe replacement  
The Public Works Department will prepare for bidding the water pipe replacement work along Commonwealth Avenue. Originally, this work was to be done in conjunction with TOPICS. However, the water pipe work must begin with the Warren Street area, and this segment of TOPICS is unlikely to be funded before 1979.
4. Traffic signals  
Pedestrian signals at N. Harvard and Rena, and at Commonwealth and Brighton Avenue.
5. Tennis Court  
Appropriate sites are being studied now.

#### Special Studies

1. Code Enforcement Program/Housing Study  
Since a large portion of the housing stock in Allston-Brighton is investor-owned, the quality of these buildings has a substantial effect on the entire community. The City is currently undertaking a study of the dynamics of investor-owned housing to suggest public policy tools to maintain or upgrade the quality of the multi-family housing stock.
2. Allston Square Study  
A study will be conducted to determine buildings of particular architectural significance and means of preserving the character of this area.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 879,056	\$ 1,176,140



## Allston-Brighton

19751976

- |   |            |               |
|---|------------|---------------|
| - Union Street Playground<br>play equipment complex (Completed) | \$ 100,000 |               |
| - Tree Planting (Completed)                                     | 25,000 CD  |               |
| - Ringer Playground - restoration of ballfields                 |            | \$ 200,000 CD |

Public Works

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Sidewalk reconstruction (Completed)   | 100,000 CD |            |
| - Lighting for Brighton Center - Phase II<br>(Under Construction)   | 106,000    |            |
| - Lighting for Harvard Avenue - Phase II<br>(Under Construction)  | 115,000    |            |
| - Signal Installation at the intersection<br>of Brainard Road, Leton Street, and Corey<br>Road (Under Construction) | 25,000     |            |
| - Signal Installation at the intersection<br>of Brighton Avenue and Linden Street (Under<br>Construction)           | 25,000     |            |
| - Resurfacing of Washington-Brighton<br>Corridor  |            | 235,000 CD |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- |  |          |           |
|--|----------|-----------|
| - Senior shuttle to provide transportation<br>for social, and recreational purposes<br>to elderly groups of Boston, age 60 or<br>over, operated by Jackson Mann Community<br>School. | 6,416 CD | 16,000 CD |
|--|----------|-----------|

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded in 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for further funding:

Capital Improvements

1. Etna Street Playground
2. Street trees  
A detailed Master Plan for comprehensive tree planting on major arteries is currently in preparation, in anticipation of future funding.





# BACK BAY: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for the Back Bay includes physical and public service improvements keyed to reinforcing and broadening the preservation strategy for residential and commercial areas begun in the first year.

Of primary concern in the Back Bay is the development of a playground which will reinforce the family residential character of the district. A pilot code enforcement program will promote the upgrading of deteriorated housing in the Back Bay, especially lodging houses, by improving housing maintenance and providing information for an investor-owned housing study.

A pedestrian lighting program for Newbury Street will also enhance recent improvements in the neighborhood.

## HOUSING PROGRAMS

1975

1976

- Comprehensive Code Enforcement Program

\$ 50,000 CD

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

### Parks

- Tree planting

\$ 13,300 CD

- Clarendon Street Playground
  - acquisition
  - development

200,000

150,000 CD

### Public Works

- Special lighting  
Commonwealth Avenue from Arlington Street  
to Dartmouth

300,000

- Newbury Street Lighting - Phase I

150,000 CD

- Street lighting, Marlborough Street, from  
Clarendon Street to Charlesgate East

166,000 CD

- Traffic Operations Program to Increase  
Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on urban  
roadways

4,000,000

- Huntington Avenue from Prudential Center  
to Massachusetts Avenue (Design Near  
Completion)

## NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

### Elderly

- Back Bay Aging Concerns  
Program to provide shopping  
aides, transportation, and recreational  
activities for elderly residents

20,000



- Foot Patrol

1975

\$ 41,160 CD

1976

\$ 41,160 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded in 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for further funding:

1. Newbury Street Lighting - Phase II
2. Street Trees (Newbury, Boylston, Comm. Avenue Mall)
3. Sidewalk Repairs (Commonwealth Avenue, Commonwealth Avenue Cross Streets, Arlington Street, Newbury Street)
4. Street Resurfacing (Sections of Commonwealth Avenue)

SPECIAL STUDIES

Investor owned Housing study

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	220,460	411,160



The north slope is the target area for improvements in the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Beacon Hill.

The Temple Street Mall project, through the elimination of parking, the widening of the sidewalks and the establishment of neckdowns and landscaping, will create a pedestrian environment on a street which forms a major link connecting the State House to the West End. Property owners on Temple Street, many of whom operate lodging houses will be encouraged to upgrade their property.

Hill House is a neighborhood center serving primarily the elderly and teenage residents of Beacon Hill, the West End and North End. The repair of the Hill House roof will enable this non-profit center to continue the use of their scarce resources for a wide variety of neighborhood service programs.

Business district amenities and a continuation of the foot patrol will assist in the stabilizing and upgrading of the local retail districts program - Charles and Cambridge Streets.

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
<u>BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM:</u>		
- Business District amenities (50%-50% Match From Businessmen)		5,000 CD
- Footpatrolmen (Charles St.)	43,680 CD	43,680 CD
<u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:</u>		
- Phillips St. area play equipment complex (Under Construction)	75,000	
- Lighting - 3rd mantle burners for Beacon Hill gas lanterns (Being Purchased)	40,000 CD	
- Temple St. Pedestrian Mall		150,000 CD
- Hill House - roof renovation		75,000 CD

#### IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

- Neck Downs - Garden and Anderson Streets
- Garden Street (Paving & Sidewalk) -
- Tree Protection (Cobble Pavers for Charles Street)



NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:

1975

1976

Community Development (CD) Funding

\$ 83,680

\$ 273,680





The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Charlestown is a continuation of the 1975 program. It is aimed at continuing and complementing activities begun under the urban renewal project, and at safeguarding the achievements realized so far.

First year activities included the Housing Improvement Program, the upgrading of Doherty Playground, the provision of footpatrolmen on Main Street and the Senior Shuttle, a means of transportation for senior citizens.

In 1976, the Housing Improvement Program, the provision of footpatrolmen and the Senior Shuttle again will be funded. Site improvements to Little Mystic Playground are meant to complement the newly constructed recreational facility adjacent to this playground.

Preservation of the existing housing stock, public improvements and security in commercial areas are the mainstays of the 1976 program.

HOUSING PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- HIP - \$150,000 was budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings in 1975 under the HIP program. This budget was increased by \$75,000 to accomodate additional demand, and will be continued at approximately the same level in 1976.	\$ 225,000 CD	\$ 150,000 CD
- Section #312 loans have been assigned to cover approved applications in Charlestown	888,179	
- Funds reserved for the modernization of the Bunker Hill Public Housing project		500,000
- Victory Garden		7,500 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Robbery Suppression Unit (Under Study)		
- Footpatrolmen (Main Street)	45,000 CD	45,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Public Facilities

- New Bunker Hill Elementary School (In Judicial Review)	8,000,000
- New Charlestown High School (In Design)	15,000,000



19751976Parks

- |  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
| - Doherty Playground<br>general restoration, trees and landscaping<br>(Under Construction)   | \$ 50,000  | \$         |
| - resurfacing the basketball courts,<br>installation of lights and benches,<br>patching of the cement walkway, repairing<br>the fence surrounding the pool, and<br>planting of grass and trees (In Design) | 110,446 CD |            |
| - Harvard Mall<br>passive sitting area, walks, lawns, trees,<br>pedestrian lighting (In Design)  | 150,000    |            |
| - Phipps Street Cemetery<br>construction of retaining wall and<br>decorative fence   | 75,000     |            |
| - Ryan Playground<br>restoration of playfields, benches (Under<br>Construction)  | 100,000    |            |
| - Little Mystic Playground - site<br>improvements  |            | 500,000 CD |

Public Works

- |   |           |
|---|-----------|
| - Traffic Operations Program to Increase<br>Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on urban<br>roadways |           |
| - City Square   | 1,150,000 |
| - One of two pedestrian overpasses<br>on Rutherford Avenue (Under<br>Construction)            | 400,000   |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- |  |          |           |
|--|----------|-----------|
| - The City of Boston will continue to provide a<br>minibus (van) for use by the elderly citizens of<br>Charlestown, to be operated by the Kent Community<br>School | 6,106 CD | 16,000 CD |
|--|----------|-----------|

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIES

- With the exception of remaining street improvement contracts which are being held pending bonding authority, the Charlestown Urban Renewal Project is basically complete. Remaining costs are primarily for relocation and court awards for land previously taken.



19751976Project Activities

- Demo Contract 13	\$ 54,540	
- Court Awards	620,000	\$ 387,000
- Street and utility construction	1,620,000	69,000
- Relocation	561,000	400,000
- Survey and Planning	63,000	
- Ancillary Expenses	34,500	18,500
- Property Management	8,000	9,000
- Project Administration	396,700	317,450
- Interest on Notes	117,660	46,718
Total Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 3,535,400	\$ 1,247,668

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

Capital Improvements

- Main Street: planning, design, and alternative means of financing sewer separation and street reconstruction of Main Street, Warren Street, City Square, and segments of Pleasant Street, Winthrop Street and Monument Avenue. Final design will go beyond basic improvements and include trees, appropriate lighting, benches, street furniture, special sidewalk treatment, etc.
- Harvard Mall: supplementary funding necessary for planned improvements.
- Union Street Playground: final design and construction.
- Barry Playground: improvements
- Caldwell Street Playground: improvements
- Reconstruction of Brighton Street sidewalk
- New fire station: vicinity of City Square

SPECIAL PROJECTS & STUDIES

- Reuse of Navy Yard
- Reuse of Sullivan Square
- Water/Chelsea connection and Little Mystic Bridge
- City Square redesign



## NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 386,552	\$ 718,500





The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Fields Corner is a continuation and expansion of the 1975 program. Increasing emphasis will be given to the stabilization of residential areas, specifically in the Meeting House Hill and Codman Square neighborhoods which have been selected as two of the four homesteading areas within the City. The City's Housing Improvement Program will be increased throughout Field's Corner, but will be concentrated in these Homestead areas, in conjunction with the rehabilitation lighting improvements. Funds have also been allocated for the rehabilitation of recreational facilities, business district improvements, and the clearance of abandoned buildings and re-use of vacant lots.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe and dangerous buildings (approximately 45 buildings in 1975 and 60 buildings in 1976)	\$ 111,800 CD	\$ 150,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (approximately 2 buildings in 1975 and 8 buildings in 1976)	4,347 CD	15,000 CD
- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas including 3 Victory Gardens and approximately 30 vacant lots for individual ownership. In 1976, another Victory Gardens and 20 vacant lots are budgeted	45,000 CD	37,500 CD
- HIP - initially in 1975, \$300,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of 500 buildings. In order to meet increased demand, additional funds were provided for the rehabilitation of 750 buildings	350,000 CD	575,000 CD
- Homesteading: 1975-1976 funds have been allocated for the Urban Homesteading Program in Codman Square and Meeting House Hill		
- Codman Square	88,889 CD	205,000 CD
- Meeting House Hill	111,111 CD	120,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOODBUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Fields Corner		
- Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bollards, etc.		10,000 CD
- Sodium lighting (Fall 1974)	41,000	
- Codman Square		
- Sodium lighting - Codman Square (Fall 1974)	87,000	



19751976

- Off street parking	\$ 176,000	
- Regional Library - Codman Square (Under Construction)	1,100,000	
- Meeting House Hill		
- Parking Lot		30,000 CD
- Storefront Improvement Program		10,000 CD
- Footpatrolmen		55,800 CD
- Bowdoin Street	20,000 CD	
- Field's Corner	28,080 CD	
- Lower Mills		
- Storefront Improvements Program		10,000 CD
- Adams Village - Sodium Lighting		20,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- District Courthouse addition and renovation (In Design)	850,000
--	---------

Parks

- Neponset Health Center matching grant for 702,000 of Hill Burton funds - demolition and site improvements		70,000 CD
- Byrne Playground (In Design) play equipment complex	80,000	
- Dorchester Park (In Planning) play equipment complex	80,000	
- Garvey Playground playfield (Complete)	90,000	
- Hemenway Playground (Under Con- struction) playfield	100,000	
- Roberts Playground (In Planning) installation of floodlights - 1975, play equipment - Fall 1976	400,000	
- Walsh Playground (In Planning) play equipment complex	80,000	
- Mt. Bowdoin St. Park (Under Construction)	44,179 CD	
- Play Area at Marshall Community School		25,000 CD



## Fields Corner

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Syria Temple (B-ball Ct.)		\$ 20,000 CD
- APAC (B-ball Ct.)		20,000 CD
- Spencer Street Park		50,000 CD
- Ronan Park		150,000 CD
- Construction of Cameo Park at the end of Hilltop Street (In Planning)	\$ 98,552 CD	
- Construction of 2 tennis courts on Adams Street at the Mary Hemenway School (Under Construction)	33,123 CD	
- Tree planting		20,000 CD
- Homesteading Areas		
- Southern Dorchester		15,000 CD
- Dorchester	110,000	

Public Works

- Highway and sidewalk reconstruction (In Planning)	55,000 CD	
- Lighting - Phase II (In Progress)		
- Lower Mills (Dorchester Ave., Adams St., Walsh St.)	70,000	
- Meeting House Hill Area (Bowdoin Street)	53,000	
- Fields Corner (Dorchester Ave. - Adams St.)	40,000	
- Residential lighting		350,000 CD
- Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements to Granite Avenue and Milton Sts. This is the City's share to be matched with State funds (Under Construction)	4,500	
- Engineering studies		
- Norfolk-Neponset sewer study		20,000 CD
- Troy land fill study		15,000 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

- Parking Lot for Lower Mills



19751976

- Continuation of lighting programs for Shawmut Station and Codman Square
- Further improvements to Gibson Playground

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding

\$ 1,100,081

\$ 1,993,300





DRAFT

DORCHESTER - UPHAMS CORNER: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The goal of the second-year Neighborhood Improvement Program will be to preserve the Jones Hill, Columbia, St. Pauls, Savin Hill and Uphams Corner neighborhoods while revitalizing the Dudley neighborhood located west of the Penn Central Railroad and Columbia Point.

The preservation program includes expansion of the Housing Improvement Program, improved street lighting, tree planting, continued support of the Neighborhood Housing Services program and continuation of the Upham's Corner business areas improvement program.

The revitalization program includes continuation of the demolition, boarding and REVIVAL programs. Selected capital improvements, especially street lighting, are also proposed. In addition, \$6 million in federal modernization programs and \$1.4 million of federal Target Project Program funds will be available to substantially improve and renovate the Columbia Point Housing Project.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe and dangerous buildings (approximately 50 buildings in 1975 and 60 buildings in 1976)	\$ 122,879 CD	\$ 150,000 C
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (approximately 9 buildings in 1975 and 8 buildings in 1976)	17,750 CD	15,000 C
- Restoration and improvements of vacant lots in residential areas (approximately 30 lots in 1975 and 10 lots in 1976)	44,500 CD	15,000 C
- Housing Improvement Program. In 1975 funds were allocated for the renovation of approximately 250 buildings. In 1976, funds are reserved for housing improvements with a higher rebate proposed for structural improvements in selected areas.	325,000 CD	300,000 C
- Matching grant to N.H.S. revolving loan fund for rehabilitation loans.	50,000 CD	50,000 C
- N.H.S. Home Ownership Program Grants for renovation of absentee-owned homes to owner-occupants (In Planning)	75,000 CD	
- Federal 312 loan program in Mt. Bowdoin		
- Loans	155,000	
- Staff Assistance	12,185 CD	



	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Columbia Point Housing Project:		
- Funds are available under the federal Target Projects Program for improvement of the Columbia Point Housing Project.	\$ 613,500	\$ 1,386,500
- In addition, funds will be available under the federal modernization program for renovation of the Columbia Point Housing Project		440,000

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Sodium lighting - Uphams Corner (Completed)	115,000	
- Strand Theatre		
- Funds for acquisition and design of the Strand Theatre for ultimate use as a Performing Arts Center (In Design)	138,500 CD	
- In 1975, the City of Boston applied to the Economic Development Administration for funding for the renovation of the Strand Theatre. The application was turned down for 1975, but will be resubmitted for 1976.		700,000
- Off Street parking lot (Spring Construction)	75,000	
- Engineering costs for the design of traffic improvements for Columbia Road, from Everett Square to the Penn Central Railroad. This is design work in anticipation of funds from the Urban Systems Program (In Design)	60,000	
- Storefront Improvement Program - Uphams Corner (In Design)	20,000 CD	10,000
- Footpatrolmen (Uphams Corner)	80,000 CD	88,000
- Business District Amenities - trees, planters, benches, bollards, etc., (In the 1976 program year, a 50% match will be required)		5,000

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Physical Improvements to Bird Street Gym (In Planning)	12,000 CD
--	-----------



19751976

- Uphams Corner Health Center
  - Removal of physical barrier to the elderly and handicapped, and the installation of an elevator in the Upham's Corner Health Center 6,000 CD
  - This is to match 530,100 of Hill Burton Funds 60,000 CD
- Alianza Hispana Multiservice - Center Rehabilitation 172,645 CD
- Pilgrim Day Care Center - Interior renovations 20,000 CD

Parks

- Columbia Point Playground (Phase I Completed, Phase II in spring 1976) 368,000
- Downer Avenue Playground improvements (Under Contract) 19,401 CD
- Tree planting (In Process) 10,000 CD 25,000 CD
- Plaza Borinquen (90% Completed) 5,000 CD
- Savin Hill Playground (Under Construction) 28,534 CD
- Dorset Street Victory Garden and Tot Lot 50,000 CD

Public Works

- Improved Street Lighting (Complete) 244,249 CD 300,000 CD
- Street and Sidewalk Reconstruction 91,683 CD
- Reconstruction of Dorchester Avenue Bridge (Under Construction) 110,000

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- The Uphams Corner Health Center will provide home medical services to the elderly and homebound residents of the neighborhood 50,000 CD 50,000 CD



Uphams Corner

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- La Alianza Hispana runs a multi-service center for the Spanish speaking with social service and civic education programs	\$ 205,000 CD	\$ 140,000 CD
- Senior Shuttle - 3 vehicles to be operated by Dorchester Federated Settlement Houses	48,000 CD	48,000 CD
- Boston Children's Services - Program to provide counseling and supportive service to Spanish-speaking youth of the North Dorchester area. In addition, B.C.S. will provide counselling services to parents of involved youth.		20,000 CD

IN PLANNING AND SPECIAL STUDIES

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

Uphams Corner Business District

- Uphams Corner Branch Library relocation in a newly renovated facility at Upham's Corner.
- Improved lighting on Columbia Road (Urban Systems Fund)

Columbia Point Revitalization

- Expansion and renovation of the McCormack School yard
- Reuse of the Calf Pasture Pumping Station as a neighborhood Civic Center.
- Revitalization of Columbia Point Housing Project (the BHA has applied to HUD for section 8 funds which would make \$24 million of renovation funds available).
- Improvement of MBTA access to Columbia Point and Kennedy Library, \$2 to 10 million.
- Replacement of the Mt. Vernon Street and Boston Main Interceptor Sewers at a projected cost of \$57 million.

Neighborhood Housing Services Area

- Sidewalk and water line improvements
- Sewer and water line improvements
- Tennis courts at 812 Dorchester Avenue





Saint Pauls Neighborhood

- Sidewalk and street improvements
- Sewer and water line improvements
- Installation of pool and extension of Hannon Playground.

Jones Hill Neighborhood

- Sidewalk and street improvements
- Sewer and water line improvements
- Downer Avenue (104 Stairs) Tot Lot

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD)	\$ 1,928,326	\$ 1,286,000



The goal of the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program is the stabilization of the Chinese community in downtown Boston.

This stabilization effort is directed towards improving the residential environment, including the completion of physical improvements within the South Cove Urban Renewal Project. This program consists of selected capital improvements, special studies for housing programs, the feasibility of recreational uses for the R3-3A urban renewal parcel, and methods of reducing the adverse effects of the Southeast Expressway and Massachusetts Turnpike.

In 1976, as in 1975, the City will again fund an activity which effects the entire Chinese community in Boston. Last year, the City provided funds for the design of the Old Quincy School as a Community Center. This year, funds are budgeted for a Chinese kitchen which will be located in the New Quincy Community School.

HOUSING PROGRAMS19751976

- Section #312 loan authority has been assigned to \$ 157,700 cover approved applications within the South Cove urban renewal project area.
- Section 8 Rehabilitation. The City will explore methods of providing financing for substantial rehabilitation for existing residents, using the Section 8 rental subsidy program.

NEIGHBORHOODBUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Storefront Improvement Program \$ 5,000 CD
- Footpatrol 21,840 CD 21,840 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- New Quincy Elementary School (Under Construction) 10,637,500
- Design of the Old Quincy School for use as a community center, to be operated by the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (In Design) 50,000 CD
- Chinese Kitchen Facilities for the Quincy Community School 20,000 CD

Public Works

- Street lighting 100,000
- Residential street lighting: Essex Street (South side only) and over the Artery from Essex to Kneeland 30,000 CD



# Chinatown/South Cove

1975

1976

- Trees 20,000 CD
- Traffic Signal Improvements - Hudson & Beech 30,000 CD

## Parks

- Gate for Chinatown 40,000 CD

## URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIES: South Cove Urban Renewal Project

### Project Activities

- Court Awards on real estate takings	310,000 CD	350,000 CD
- Tremont Street	335,000	
- Trees	16,000	
- Streets around Tai Tung Towers	90,000	
- Real estate acquisition	122,000	
- Demolition on Parcel C-8	16,000	
- Site Prep N		1,500,000
- Relocation	562,250	230,000
- Survey and Planning	150,000	5,000 CD
- Ancillary Expenses	51,500 CD	5,200 CD
- Property Management	11,000 CD	9,400 CD
- Project Administration	251,000 CD	266,600 CD
- Interest on Notes	112,000 CD	69,400 CD
Total Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 2,026,750	\$ 2,435,600
Subtotal, CD Funded	(735,500) CD	(705,600) CD

## SPECIAL PROJECT OR STUDIES

- Parcels R3/R3A: Possible options for outdoor recreation area on former housing site will be under study in 1976.
- Tree Planting/Buffering: Developing overall plan and proposals to buffer community from the Massachusetts Turnpike.
- Improvements to intersection on Hudson/Kneeland: Explore design options and funding sources
- Housing Policies: Investigation of Chinatown housing problems and possible programs, along with potential development options.

## NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

1975

1976

Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 807,340	\$ 872,440
------------------------------------	------------	------------



DRAFT

EAST BOSTON: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

~~E. BOSTON~~

The goal of the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program will be to preserve and upgrade East Boston's residential neighborhoods. Toward this end the City plans to continue this year's successful Housing Improvement Program and programs to clean up vacant lots, board up vacant buildings and demolish unsafe structures. Funds will be made available to rehabilitate the Orient Heights Housing Project and improve the recreational facilities of both the Orient Heights and Maverick Housing Projects. Street lighting improvements will be made in priority areas and this year's tree planting program will be expanded to all the residential streets of East Boston. Under the City's Business District Program, police foot patrols will be conducted in the four commercial centers, and traffic improvements will be designed for Central and Day Squares. Other projects include the extension of Lewis Street mall and the provision of a senior shuttle.

In addition, the following projects are in the planning stage: development of the Summer Street Park, the Golden Stairs Park and the London & Decatur Street playground; water systems improvements in Jeffries Point; reuse of Piers 1-4 and the Holiday Inn property; reuse of the Penn Central property along Bremen Street; and relocation of the Public Works office, garage and yards at American Legion Field. A special study will be conducted of the feasibility of converting the Curtis Guild School into a community school.

<u>HOUSING PROGRAMS</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- HIP - initially in 1975, \$100,000 was budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings. In order to meet exceptional homeowner demand in East Boston additional funds were provided to allow for the rehabilitation of 500 buildings. The program will be continued with funding for another 300 buildings in 1976.	\$ 400,000 CD	\$ 275,000 CD
- The construction of 20 units of family housing and 280 units of elderly housing by the BHA at Summer Street and Maverick Square	8,896,585	
- The modernization of public housing on Maverick Street:		
- Roof renovation	320,100 CD	
- BHA modernizations	58,000	
- Roof renovations to Orient Heights		100,000 CD
- Improvements to recreation facilities at Maverick and Orient Heights Housing Projects.		75,000 CD





19751976

- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant \$ 30,000 CD  
lots in residential areas including 2 Victory  
Gardens and approximately 10 vacant lots for  
individual ownership.  
In 1976, funds for another Victory Garden and  
15 vacant lots are budgeted. \$ 30,000 CD
- Clearance of unsafe buildings (approximately 7 17,625 CD 30,000 CD  
buildings in 1975 and another 12 in 1976)
- Securing of vacant buildings for future 11,000 CD 5,000 CD  
rehab

NEIGHBORHOODBUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- In an effort to increase accessibility 145,000  
to local shopping areas, the City is making  
a commitment to the provision of off-street  
parking. The acquisition of land is underway  
for this purpose in Central Square (In  
Construction)
  - Central Square Parking Lot II (Acquisition) 83,000 CD
  - Development (pending bonding authority) 137,000
  - Traffic Study - Central/Day Squares 40,000 CD
  - Business District Amenities - trees, benches, 10,000 CD  
bollards, etc., (59% match from businessmen)
- Sodium lighting in Maverick Square 20,000
- City's share for traffic signal improvements 20,000  
at the following areas:
  - Bennington Street, Neptune Road, and Day  
Square (In Progress)
  - Maverick Square (Project #6)
  - Meridian Street, Central Square to Maverick  
Street (Project #6) (In Planning)
- Footpatrolmen in the commercial centers 53,560 CD 53,560 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Barnes Middle School (In Construction) 12,800,000
- Maverick Square Fire Station (In 1,400,000  
Construction)
- Public Works Office Space Garage 145,000
- Expansion of the health center at Paris 250,000 CD  
and Summer Streets. This is the City's  
Share, to be matched with Hill Burton  
funds, for a total construction budget  
of \$2.2 million



## East Boston

19751976

- |   |           |              |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| - Fire Station #56 - Renovation (In Design) | \$ 80,000 |              |
| - Lewis Street Mall                         |           | \$ 10,000 CD |
| - Sidewalk Reconstruction                   |           | 100,000 CD   |

Parks

- |  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
| - Brophy Park fencing  | 15,000     |            |
| - E. B. Stadium reconstruct playfields (In Construction)   | 185,000    |            |
| - New Jeffries Point Park (In Construction) street hockey, basketball and tennis courts, tot lot spray pool, picnic area | 1,000,000  |            |
| - Noyes Playground flooding  | 200,000    |            |
| - New Sumner Street Park Phase I: (Acquisition)  | 436,200    |            |
| - Sumner Street Play Area play equipment complex (In Progress)   | 100,000    |            |
| - Renovation of Noyes Fieldhouse   | 15,000     |            |
| - Tree planting (In Progress)  | 110,977 CD | 300,000 CD |

Public Works

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Residential street lighting (In Progress)   | 417,400 CD | 220,000 CD |
| - Lighting for Day Square Area - Phase II (Bennington Street-Chelsea Street (In Design) | 72,000     |            |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- |   |          |           |
|---|----------|-----------|
| - Senior Shuttle to provide transportation for social and recreational purposes to elderly groups of Boston, age 60 or over | 6,416 CD | 16,000 CD |
|---|----------|-----------|



IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Completion of Sumner Street Park. Site acquired and design in progress. BOR application be refiled next year, pending availability of bond funding.
2. Development of Golden Stairs Park. Passive recreation area with trees, grass, benches and lighting.
3. Development of tot lot and playground at London & Decatur Streets.
4. Relocation of Public Works office, garage & yards and development of recreational facilities on present site.
5. Water system improvements
6. Development of London Street Parking Lot.
7. Acquisition of Holiday Inn property and Pier 1-4.

SPECIAL STUDIES OR PROJECTS

1. Feasibility study of converting Curtis Guild School into community school with recreational facilities for youth and elderly of Orient Heights.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURE

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 1,700,078	\$ 1,264,560



1976

400,000 CD

\$ 275,000 CD

- HIP - in 1975, \$10,000 was budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings. In order to meet exceptional homeowner demand in East Boston additional funds were provided to allow for the rehabilitation of 500 buildings. The program will be continued with funding for another 300 buildings in 1976.

8,896,585

- The construction of 20 units of family housing and 280 units of elderly housing by the BHA at Summer Street and Maverick Square

- The modernization of public housing on Maverick Street:

320,100 CD  
58,000

- Roof renovation
- BHA modernizations

100,000 CD

- Roof renovations to Orient Heights

75,000 CD

- Improvements to recreation facilities at Maverick and Orient Heights Housing Projects.





19751976

- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant \$ 30,000 CD  
lots in residential areas including 2 Victory  
Gardens and approximately 10 vacant lots for  
individual ownership. \$ 30,000 CD  
In 1976, funds for another Victory Garden and  
15 vacant lots are budgeted.
- Clearance of unsafe buildings (approximately 7 17,625 CD 30,000 CD  
buildings in 1975 and another 12 in 1976)
- Securing of vacant buildings for future 11,000 CD 5,000 CD  
rehab

#### NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- In an effort to increase accessibility 145,000  
to local shopping areas, the City is making  
a commitment to the provision of off-street  
parking. The acquisition of land is underway  
for this purpose in Central Square (In  
Construction)
- Central Square Parking Lot II (Acquisition) 83,000 CD 137,000  
- Development (pending bonding authority) 40,000 C  
- Traffic Study - Central/Day Squares 10,000 C
- Business District Amenities - trees, benches,  
bollards, etc., (59% match from businessmen)
- Sodium lighting in Maverick Square 20,000
- City's share for traffic signal improvements 20,000  
at the following areas:
  - Bennington Street, Neptune Road, and Day  
Square (In Progress)
  - Maverick Square (Project #6)
  - Meridian Street, Central Square to Maverick  
Street (Project #6) (In Planning)
- Footpatrolmen in the commercial centers 53,560 CD 53,560

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

##### Public Facilities

- Barnes Middle School (In Construction) 12,800,000
- Maverick Square Fire Station (In 1,400,000  
Construction)
- Public Works Office Space Garage 145,000
- Expansion of the health center at Paris 250,000 CD  
and Summer Streets. This is the City's  
Share, to be matched with Hill Burton  
funds, for a total construction budget  
of \$2.2 million



## East Boston

19751976

- |   |           |              |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| - Fire Station #56 - Renovation (In Design) | \$ 80,000 |              |
| - Lewis Street Mall                         |           | \$ 10,000 CD |
| - Sidewalk Reconstruction                   |           | 100,000 CD   |

Parks

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Brophy Park fencing   | 15,000     |            |
| - E. B. Stadium reconstruct playfields (In Construction)  | 185,000    |            |
| - New Jeffries Point Park (In Construction) street hockey, basketbatball and tennis courts, tot lot spray pool, picnic area | 1,000,000  |            |
| - Noyes Playground flooding   | 200,000    |            |
| - New Sumner Street Park Phase I: (Acquisition)   | 436,200    |            |
| - Sumner Street Play Area play equipment complex (In Progress)  | 100,000    |            |
| - Renovation of Noyes Fieldhouse  | 15,000     |            |
| - Tree planting (In Progress)   | 110,977 CD | 300,000 CD |

Public Works

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Residential street lighting (In Progress)   | 417,400 CD | 220,000 CD |
| - Lighting for Day Square Area - Phase II (Bennington Street-Chelsea Street (In Design) | 72,000     |            |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- |   |          |           |
|---|----------|-----------|
| - Senior Shuttle to provide transportation for social and recreational purposes to elderly groups of Boston, age 60 or over | 6,416 CD | 16,000 CD |
|---|----------|-----------|



IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Completion of Sumner Street Park. Site acquired and design in progress. BOR application be refiled next year, pending availability of bond funding.
2. Development of Golden Stairs Park. Passive recreation area with trees, grass, benches and lighting.
3. Development of tot lot and playground at London & Decatur Streets.
4. Relocation of Public Works office, garage & yards and development of recreational facilities on present site.
5. Water system improvements
6. Development of London Street Parking Lot.
7. Acquisition of Holiday Inn property and Pier 1-4.

SPECIAL STUDIES OR PROJECTS

1. Feasibility study of converting Curtis Guild School into community school with recreational facilities for youth and elderly of Orient Heights.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURE

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 1,700,078	\$ 1,264,560



The second-year Neighborhood Improvement Program for the Fenway-Kenmore District is aimed at continuing and complementing activities begun under the urban renewal project, and at safeguarding the achievements realized so far.

As part of the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program, the Back Bay Fens will receive further funding for landscaping and recreation improvements. The district's housing stock will be upgraded through the Model Lodging House Study and redevelopment/rehabilitation activities in conjunction with the Fenway Urban Renewal Project. New neighborhood services in the 1976 NIP include footpatrol officers and the Area II Homecare program for the elderly.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Model Lodging House study and demonstration - The purpose of this study is to analyze, test, and demonstrate methods of improving lodging house accommodations which are prevalent throughout the district.	\$	\$ 70,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Footpatrolmen (Boylston-Newbury)	24,960 CD	49,920 CD
- Business District Amenities - benches, bollards, trees, etc. (50% match from businessmen)		10,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSParks

- Back Bay Fens - general restoration		300,000 CD
- Evans Park pedestrian lighting, path improvements, trees, and landscaping (Under Construction)	125,000	
- Tree planting	55,000 CD	10,000 CD
- Milmore Tot Lot (In Planning)	41,000	
- Morville Park (Under Construction)	25,000 CD	

Public works

- Street lighting	224,115 CD	34,000 CD
- Riverway reconstruct paths and bridges, tree and shrub planting, shore line improvements, install benches (Construction Ready to Begin)	150,000	





19751976NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- |   |             |              |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| - Area II Homecare<br>Program to provide outreach, support,<br>information and referral to elderly<br>tenants in the Fenway community   |             | \$ 43,000 CD |
| - Elderly Van (Fenway LCH)<br>Senior shuttle to provide transportation<br>for medical, social and recreational<br>purposes to any elderly resident of Boston,<br>age 60 or over | \$ 6,000 CD | 16,000 CD    |

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIESProject Activities

- |  |                |                   |
|--|----------------|-------------------|
| - Site Prep 9A - Symphony Road, etc.       | 1,064,000 CD   |                   |
| - Site Prep 9C - alley reconstruction      | 264,000 CD     | 37,950            |
| - Real Estate Court Awards                 | 53,000 CD      | 100,000 CD        |
|  | 130,000        |                   |
| - Site Prep 12                             | 942,000        |                   |
| - Real Estate Acquisitions                 | 154,795        |                   |
| - Demolition #9                            | 24,000         |                   |
| - Site Prep 16                             |                | 1,244,250         |
| - Site Prep 14A - street reconstruction    |                | 1,189,100         |
| - Site Prep 13 - clean and line waterlines |                | 614,100           |
| - Relocation                               | 534,000        | 695,000           |
| - Survey and Planning                      | 70,000 CD      | 5,000 CD          |
|  |                | 70,000            |
| - Ancillary Expenses                       | 14,000         | 12,000 CD         |
| - Property Management                      | 58,000         | 66,600 CD         |
| - Project Administration                   | 427,000        | 533,400 CD        |
| - Interest on Notes                        | 164,291        |                   |
|  | <u>117,240</u> | <u>302,151 CD</u> |
| Total Urban Renewal Continuation           | \$ 4,016,326   | \$ 4,869,551      |
| Subtotal CD funding                        | (1,451,000) CD | (1,019,151) CD    |

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Commonwealth Avenue Mall Rehabilitation
2. Memorial Circle Restoration



3. Residential street lighting for - Audubon and Kenmore neighborhoods.
4. Street reconstruction and sidewalk and curb repair for Audubon and St. Botolph neighborhoods.
5. Alley reconstruction and lighting for St. Botolph neighborhood.

### STUDIES

- Kenmore Square Marketing Study - a study for the potential re-use of existing vacant office space as well as potential new development in an attempt to stabilize the Square. To be undertaken by city staff in conjunction with Boston University and Kenmore Square merchants.

### NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES -

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 1,786,075	\$ 1,552,071



In 1976, the Neighborhood Improvement Program will focus around neighborhood stabilization by encouraging housing repairs through the Housing Improvement Program, and by concentrating public and private improvements in the commercial districts, Cleary Square and Wolcott Square. Improvements are also scheduled for several recreational facilities which the community utilizes extensively.

In addition, planning efforts will be devoted to further revitalization of the commercial districts and toward upgrading streets and sidewalks throughout the community.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- HIP - \$150,000 was initially budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 200 buildings. In order to meet increased homowner demand, 1975 funds were increased to provide for the rehabilitation of 300 buildings. The program will be continued at the same level for 1976.	\$ 200,000 CD	\$ 200,000 CD
- Electrical renovations in Fairmount Public Housing Development	45,000 CD	
- Restoration of vacant lots	8,000 CD	

NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

As in 1975, the City will be continuing a major commitment to the revitalization of Cleary Square. Initial activities include:

- Cleary Square		
- Sodium vapor lighting (Completed- December 1974)	70,500	
- Extension of existing Sodium lighting on Hyde Park Avenue (Clay Street - Star Market)		35,000 CD
- Phase II - (Hyde Park Ave. - Fairmont Street)	60,000	
- Site acquisition, demolition, and development of the Top Dollar Building site to be used as an off-street parking lot (Under Construction)	310,316 CD	
- Parking lot in Cleary Square - Site Improvements to Dana and Waterman		171,000
- Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bollards, etc., (50% match from businessmen)		10,000
- Footpatrolmen (Cleary Square and Wolcott Square)	78,000 CD	78,000
- Wolcott Square Improvements		25,000



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS19751976Public Facilities

- |  |              |  |
|--|--------------|--|
| - Hyde Park High School Renovation<br>(In Judicial Review) | \$ 8,000,000 |  |
| - Police Station - District 5 (In<br>Design)               | 240,000      |  |
| - Municipal Building Renovation (In<br>Design)             | 330,000      |  |

Parks

- |  |           |            |
|--|-----------|------------|
| - Amatucci Playground  |           |            |
| - construction of children's play area<br>(timber) game courts, water spray,<br>passive area (Spring Construction) | 174,000   |            |
| - tennis courts (Spring Construction)  | 44,179 CD |            |
| - tot lot and general restoration  |           | 100,000 CD |
| - Ross Playground (In Design)  |           |            |
| - restore two ball diamonds (infields)<br>floodlights, reconstruct game courts,<br>two ballfields                  | 80,000    |            |
| - Readville Playground (In Design)   |           |            |
| - new lighting and fencing   |           | 80,000 CD  |

Public Works

- |   |        |  |
|---|--------|--|
| - City's share for engineering and design<br>of traffic signal improvements at American<br>Legion Highway and Hyde Park Avenue (In<br>Design)                 | 4,500  |  |
| - The City has recommended to the State that<br>Chapter 90 funds be used for street<br>construction on West Street from Hyde Park<br>Avenue to Poplar Street. |        |  |
| - Lighting - Phase II   |        |  |
| - Cleary Square<br>(Hyde Park Avenue - Fairmont Street)   | 60,000 |  |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- |  |                  |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| - The new health center in the Municipal<br>building in Roslindale will service<br>all of southwest Boston | (See Roslindale) |  |
|--|------------------|--|

Elderly

- |  |          |           |
|--|----------|-----------|
| - Senior shuttle to provide transportation<br>for social, and recreational purposes<br>to elderly group of Boston, age 60<br>or over | 6,416 CD | 16,000 CD |
|--|----------|-----------|





IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Acquisition and renovation of old Beale Medical site (Center and Winthrop Streets) for parking lot.
2. Pedestrian way through River Street Storefront.
3. Selected sidewalk and street reconstruction.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 941,911	\$ 715,000



# MISSION HILL: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program in Mission Hill is a continuation of the 1975 program, with continued emphasis on improvements to the public housing projects. These improvements to public housing coupled with those made through the Housing Improvement Program and Neighborhood Housing Services, should have a substantial impact on stabilizing the community.

## HOUSING PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- The renovation of the public housing at Mission Hill and Mission Hill Extension by the BHA. These renovations will include window replacement, elevator repairs, security screens, roofing and internal systems, and involve a continuation of the program originally proposed for 1975.	\$ 1,455,000 CD	\$ 1,000,000 CD
- \$75,000 was budgeted for Mission Hill for the rehabilitation of approximately 60 buildings in 1975 under the HIP program. To continue these efforts, additional funds will be budgeted for 1976 from the Jamaica Plain office.	25,000 CD	
- Matching grant to Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS) revolving loan fund program. NHS is a special program involving homeowners, the City, and banks all cooperating to encourage more mortgage lending in this area.	50,000 CD	50,000 CD

## NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Footpatrolmen (Brigham Circle)	65,520 CD	65,520 CD
- Business District Amenties - trees, benches, bicycle racks, bollards, etc., (50% match from businessmen)		5,000 CD

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

### Parks

- Jefferson Playground (Drawings Being Revised) play equipment complex	50,000	
- Mission Hill Playground (In Design)	75,000	
- Improved street lighting on Tremont Street from Brigham Circle to Roxbury Crossing. (Under Construction)	125,000 CD	
- Parker and Tremont Playground		60,000 CD



MISSION HILL  
1975

1976

- Parker Hill Little League diamond restoration

40,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Elderly

- Elderly van  
Senior shuttle to operate out of the Hennigan Community School to provide transportation for social, and recreational purposed to elderly groups age 60 or over.

\$ 6,106 CD

\$ 16,000 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Renovate and repair basketball courts and tot lots in Mission Hill project.
2. Street and sidewalk reconstruction (various locations)

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

Community Development (CD) Funding

1,726,626

1,286,520



The Neighborhood Improvement Program in the North End/Waterfront area is designed to enhance the existing quality of the neighborhood. Street lighting and other public improvements are designed to compliment the new recreational projects now underway in the community as well as the substantial private and public improvements within the Waterfront Renewal Project.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Funds will be used for the rehabilitation of approximately 65 buildings under the HIP program in 1975 and 1976	\$ 100,000 CD	\$ 75,000 CD
- The construction of 103 units of elderly housing by the BHA at Fulton and Richmond Streets (Under Construction)	3,700,000	
- Section #312 loan authority has been assigned for approved applications within the Waterfront Urban Renewal area	282,700	

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic facilities

- North End-New Park (In Planning) development of total recreation complex	1,200,000	
- Battery Wharf Fire Station (In Planning)	2,600,000	
- Business District Amenities - trees, planters, benches, etc. (50% match from businessmen)		10,000 CD

Parks

- North Square restoration	25,000	
- Paul Revere Mall restoration including lighting (In Planning)	150,000	
- Improvements to Copps Hill Terrace (Bids received)	150,000	
- Rachel Revere Park, B-200 special project	88,000	
- DeFillipo Playground (Bids received)	40,000	
- Trees		40,000 CD

Public Works

- Residential Historic District streets lighting (Under Contract), to be continued in 1976 on North Washington, Commercial, Cross, Hanover, Salem, and Charter Streets	300,600 CD	250,000 CD
--	------------	------------





## North End/Waterfront

19751976

- Improvements to streets, sidewalks, sewer and water systems, and lighting (In Planning) \$ 1,000,000

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- Acquisition of North End Health Center 125,000
- North End Health Center, matching funds for Hill-Burton grant of \$393,880 to provide for structural renovations 39,388 CD
- Footpatrolmen (Hanover Street) 125,000 CD \$ 47,320 CD

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIESProject Activities: Waterfront Project

- Sea wall, wharf and walkway construction 510,000
- Sewers and drains 1,209,000 60,000
- Street construction and lighting 100,000
- Waterfront Park 1,650,000 480,000
- Parking facility 99,000
- Atlantic Avenue 600,000
- Dock Square 2,100,000
- Demolition 90,000
- Acquisition C-2 Parcel 60,000
- Court awards 523,000 200,000 CD
- Relocation 643,000 421,000
- Survey and Planning 50,000 5,000 CD
- Ancillary Expenses 13,624 15,000
- Property Management 15,000 16,000 CD
- Project Administration 691,000 17,400 CD
- Interest on Notes 215,420 533,400 CD
- 258,802 CD
- Total Urban Renewal Continuation \$ 8,569,044 \$ 1,991,602
- Subtotal CD Funding (1,030,602) CD

SPECIAL PROJECTS OR STUDIES

- Salem St. Pathway: Analysis of alternate sources of funding to improve safety and appearance of this Freedom Trail seaport.
- Cross St. Parking Lots: Analysis of alternate sources of funding to improve safety, and appearance of this site.
- Indoor Recreation: Study bath house/Polcari Playground site for construction of a year-around community recreation building.



## NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 564,988	\$ 1,452,922



DRAFT

JAMAICA PLAIN: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Jamaica Plain focuses on the preservation and rehabilitation of the housing stock. The Housing Improvement Program, which has been heavily utilized in the past year, will be continued with an increased budget for 1976. Particular emphasis is placed on addressing the problem of abandonment: funds will be available for support of the homesteading program as well as the boarding and demolition of abandoned buildings.

Major investments are planned for Jamaica Plain's business districts with an emphasis on supporting the revitalization of Hyde Square. Construction of a new off-street parking lot, installation of business district amenities, and initiation of a storefront rehabilitation program will all contribute to improvement of the Hyde Square business area. The storefront rehabilitation program will also be available on Centre Street and the foot patrol program will be continued in Eggleston Square and on Centre Street.

Capital improvements will be concentrated on two playground facilities and the installation of residential street lighting established programs which were also funded last year.

<u>HOUSING PROGRAMS</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Homesteading Parts of Jamaica Plain have been selected as a target area for the City's Urban Homesteading program. Funding will be available from 1975 and 1976 for low-interest loans and other costs of this demonstration program	\$ 90,000 CD	\$ 60,000 CD
- Funds were budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 240 buildings in 1975 under the HIP program. To encourage participation in this program, a site office was established for Jamaica Plain at 20 Barbara Street. The program will be continued in 1976	300,000 CD	300,000 CD
- Modernization of the public housing on Heath Street	448,000	
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe, and dangerous buildings (Approximately 22 buildings in 1975 and another 30 buildings in 1976)	55,405 CD	75,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (Approximately 12 buildings in 1975 and another 7 buildings in 1976)	18,520 CD	10,000 CD
- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas including 3 Victory Gardens and approximately 20 vacant lots for individual ownership. In 1976, funds for more Victory Gardens and 20 vacant lots are budgeted at \$60,000	68,500 CD	60,000 CD



NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Sodium lighting on Centre Street (Complete)	150,000	
- Off-street parking lot at Centre and Thomas Street (Complete)	85,000	
- Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements at Egleston Square and Columbia Avenue. This is the City's share to be matched with State funds	4,500	
- Footpatrolmen (Egleston Square, Centre Street and Hyde Square)	106,080 CD	130,000 CD
- Storefront Improvement Program		20,000 CD
- Hyde Square	25,000 CD	
- Centre Street		
- Hyde Sq. Parking Lot - Construction		75,000 CD
- Parking lot at Child and South - lease for community use		5,000 CD
- Business District Amenities, Egleston, Hyde Square, and Centre Street		15,000 CD

PITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Public Facilities

- Construction of Brookside Park Family Life Center ( See NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES)	1,500,000
- Completion of construction at N.I.C.E. Day Care and Brookside Family Life Center	225,000 CD
- Jamaica Plain Police Station (In Judicial Review)	1,100,000
- Renovation of the woodworking shop for youth programs at Washington Street (Contract to be Awarded)	10,000 CD
- Renovation of the Neighborhood House (Contract to be Awarded)	138,000
- SW II High School (In Design)	
- Renovation of Martha Eliot Health Center (In Planning)	190,000 CD
- Southern Jamaica Plain Health Center match for Hill-Burton funding of \$134,460	13,446 CD





<u>Parks</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Daisey Field playfield and floodlights, refurbished walks, lighting, trees, joggers' track, benches, drainage	225,000	
- Jamaicaway and Jamaica Pond (In Construction)	425,000	
- Mozart Street Play Area play equipment complex (Complete)	100,000	
- Burroughs Street Tot lot (Complete)	209,334	
- South Street Mall two basketball courts, benches, trees, sitting area (Complete)		
- Jefferson Playground play equipment complex (In Design Revision)		50,000 CD
- Wachusett St. Playground	84,000	
- Lighting		55,000 CD
- Rossmore and Stedman Playground - site improvements		50,000 CD
<u>Public Works</u>		
- Residential street lighting	309,200 CD	110,000 CD
- Lighting for Forest Hills Area - Phase II (Hyde Park Avenue-Washington Street) Under Construction	65,000	
- Street construction	30,000 CD	
- Sidewalk reconstruction	30,000 CD	
<u>NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES</u>		
<u>Health</u>		
- Brookside Park Family Life Center Comprehensive program to provide primary health care services, including mental health counselling and dentistry, in conjunction with matching Health and Hospital grants	170,000 CD	100,000 CD
- Martha Eliot Health Center - A program to provide primary health care services, CD funding in conjunction with other municipal and federal grants		30,000 CD
<u>Elderly</u>		
- Elderly van - Senior Shuttle to operate out of the Agassiz Community School to provide transportation for medical, social, and recreational purposes to any elderly	6,416 CD	16,000 CD



Day Care19751976

- N.I.C.E., Inc. A comprehensive program of day care services for children and an early education program (Matching share with Mass. Department of Public Welfare under Title XX)

49,000 CD

50,000 CD

Youth/Recreation

- Club Hispano - a program of recreation activities including athletics, arts and crafts, and field trips

12,500 CD

25,000 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding

1. Egleston Square Parking Lot
2. Sidwalk reconstruction (Various Locations)
3. Purchase parking lot at Child/South Streets
4. Jamaicaway/Jamaica Pond Improvements

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding

\$ 1,709,067

\$ 1,236,000



DRAFT

EAST BOSTON: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The goal of the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program will be to preserve and upgrade East Boston's residential neighborhoods. Toward this end the City plans to continue this year's successful Housing Improvement Program and programs to clean up vacant lots, board up vacant buildings and demolish unsafe structures. Funds will be made available to rehabilitate the Orient Heights Housing Project and improve the recreational facilities of both the Orient Heights and Maverick Housing Projects. Street lighting improvements will be made in priority areas and this year's tree planting program will be expanded to all the residential streets of East Boston. Under the City's Business District Program, police foot patrols will be conducted in the four commercial centers, and traffic improvements will be designed for Central and Day Squares. Other projects include the extension of Lewis Street mall and the provision of a senior shuttle.

In addition, the following projects are in the planning stage: development of the Summer Street Park, the Golden Stairs Park and the London & Decatur Street playground; water systems improvements in Jeffries Point; reuse of Piers 1-4 and the Holiday Inn property; reuse of the Penn Central property along Bremen Street; and relocation of the Public Works office, garage and yards at American Legion Field. A special study will be conducted of the feasibility of converting the Curtis Guild School into a community school.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- HIP - initially in 1975, \$100,000 was budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings. In order to meet exceptional homeowner demand in East Boston additional funds were provided to allow for the rehabilitation of 500 buildings. The program will be continued with funding for another 300 buildings in 1976.	\$ 400,000 CD	\$ 275,000 C
- The construction of 20 units of family housing and 280 units of elderly housing by the BHA at Summer Street and Maverick Square	8,896,585	
- The modernization of public housing on Maverick Street:		
- Roof renovation	320,100 CD	
- BHA modernizations	58,000	
- Roof renovations to Orient Heights		100,000 C
- Improvements to recreation facilities at Maverick and Orient Heights Housing Projects.		75,000 C



	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas including 2 Victory Gardens and approximately 10 vacant lots for individual ownership.	\$ 30,000 CD	
In 1976, funds for another Victory Garden and 15 vacant lots are budgeted.		\$ 30,000
- Clearance of unsafe buildings (approximately 7 buildings in 1975 and another 12 in 1976)	17,625 CD	30,000
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehab	11,000 CD	5,000

#### NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- In an effort to increase accessibility to local shopping areas, the City is making a commitment to the provision of off-street parking. The acquisition of land is underway for this purpose in Central Square (In Construction)	145,000	
- Central Square Parking Lot II (Acquisition)	83,000 CD	
- Development (pending bonding authority)		137,000
- Traffic Study - Central/Day Squares		40,000
- Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bollards, etc., (59% match from businessmen)		10,000
- Sodium lighting in Maverick Square	20,000	
- City's share for traffic signal improvements at the following areas:	20,000	
- Bennington Street, Neptune Road, and Day Square (In Progress)		
- Maverick Square (Project #6)		
- Meridian Street, Central Square to Maverick Street (Project #6) (In Planning)		
- Footpatrolmen in the commercial centers	53,560 CD	53,560

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

##### Public Facilities

- Barnes Middle School (In Construction)	12,800,000	
- Maverick Square Fire Station (In Construction)	1,400,000	
- Public Works Office Space Garage	145,000	
- Expansion of the health center at Paris and Summer Streets. This is the City's Share, to be matched with Hill Burton funds, for a total construction budget of \$2.2 million	250,000 CD	





## East Boston

19751976

- |   |           |             |
|---|-----------|-------------|
| - Fire Station #56 - Renovation (In Design) | \$ 80,000 |             |
| - Lewis Street Mall                         |           | \$ 10,000 C |
| - Sidewalk Reconstruction                   |           | 100,000 C   |

Parks

- |   |            |           |
|---|------------|-----------|
| - Brophy Park fencing   | 15,000     |           |
| - E. B. Stadium reconstruct playfields (In Construction)  | 185,000    |           |
| - New Jeffries Point Park (In Construction) street hockey, basketbatball and tennis courts, tot lot spray pool, picnic area | 1,000,000  |           |
| - Noyes Playground flooding   | 200,000    |           |
| - New Sumner Street Park Phase I: (Acquisition)   | 436,200    |           |
| - Sumner Street Play Area play equipment complex (In Progress)  | 100,000    |           |
| - Renovation of Noyes Fieldhouse  | 15,000     |           |
| - Tree planting (In Progress)   | 110,977 CD | 300,000 C |

Public Works

- |   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| - Residential street lighting (In Progress)   | 417,400 CD | 220,000 CD |
| - Lighting for Day Square Area - Phase II (Bennington Street-Chelsea Street (In Design) | 72,000     |            |

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- |   |          |           |
|---|----------|-----------|
| - Senior Shuttle to provide transportation for social and recreational purposes to elderly groups of Boston, age 60 or over | 6,416 CD | 16,000 CD |
|---|----------|-----------|



IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Completion of Sumner Street Park. Site acquired and design in progress. BOR application be refiled next year, pending availability of bond funding.
2. Development of Golden Stairs Park. Passive recreation area with trees, grass, benches and lighting.
3. Development of tot lot and playground at London & Decatur Streets.
4. Relocation of Public Works office, garage & yards and development of recreational facilities on present site.
5. Water system improvements
6. Development of London Street Parking Lot.
7. Acquisition of Holiday Inn property and Pier 1-4.

SPECIAL STUDIES OR PROJECTS

1. Feasibility study of converting Curtis Guild School into community school with recreational facilities for youth and elderly of Orient Heights.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURE

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 1,700,078	\$ 1,264,560



19751976

- Modernization of the public housing at Franklin Field

153,000

- Doors, skylights, roofs (State modernization funds)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Charles Drew Family Life Center	
- Construction (95% Complete)	1,200,000
- Completion of Facility	75,000

Parks

- Erie-Ellington Playground play equipment restoration, benches, tables, trees (Under Construction By December 1)	80,000 CD
- Franklin Field restoration of Mall at Blue Hill Avenue, work on playfields, floodlights (Mall and Floodlights Complete) (New Fields etc. Under Construction By Dec. 1)	525,000
- Basketball Courts	30,000 CD

Public Works

- Sodium lighting - Blue Hill Avenue to Morton Street (Completed)	31,000
- Residential street lighting	95,397 CD
- Sidewalk reconstruction (Under Construction)	187,526 CD
- City share for engineering costs and signal improvements at Glenway and Harvard Streets (Design 10% Completed)	4,500
- Water and Sewer Study - Engineering analysis to study problem of flooding basements in area (In Progress)	18,500 CD



## FRANKLIN FIELD: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Franklin Field centers around slowing the dynamic of housing deterioration and addressing the problem of larger areas of vacant land which have resulted from extensive demolition.

In 1976, the City of Boston will again offer the Housing Improvement Program as a means of rehabilitating the existing housing stock. An added feature of the program in Franklin Field is an optional 40% rebate for major structural repairs.

The City of Boston will also address the problem of vacant land in a comprehensive fashion. Many lots, some 8 acres in size, are being used for open dumping and have a negative impact on residents in nearby areas. Only with neighborhood cooperation and a comprehensive approach can open space and vacant land be made a positive aspect of the district.

### HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe, and dangerous buildings (approximately 75 structures)	\$ 347,000 CD	\$ 200,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (approximately 50 structures)	26,500 CD	20,000 CD
- Restoration and improvements of vacant lots in residential areas. (approximately 50 lots)	40,500 CD	
- Open Space Management Program The purpose of this program is to hold large parcels of land in anticipation of future development, to develop off-street parking and passive recreation on smaller lots and to convey abutting properties to adjacent land owners. A community based group will identify re-use of properties together with the Little City Hall. All properties in the program will be cleaned, fenced and landscaped.		200,000 CD
- HIP - Initially in 1975, \$60,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of approximately 40 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowner demand 1975 funds were provided for the rehabilitation of additional buildings. The program will be expanded considerably in 1976.	220,000 CD	350,000 CD
- Modernization of public housing at Franklin Hill Avenue through the BHA		
- Roofs (Federal Modernization) (Program in planning with previously approved funds)	180,000	





3. Residential street lighting for - Audubon and Kenmore neighborhoods.
4. Street reconstruction and sidewalk and curb repair for Audubon and St. Botolph neighborhoods.
5. Alley reconstruction and lighting for St. Botolph neighborhood.

#### STUDIES

- Kenmore Square Marketing Study - a study for the potential re-use of existing vacant office space as well as potential new development in an attempt to stabilize the Square. To be undertaken by city staff in conjunction with Boston University and Kenmore Square merchants.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 1,786,075	\$ 1,552,071



19751976NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESHealth

- The provision of health care by the Charles Drew Family Life Center. This center provides a full range of medical services including adult and pediatric medicine, OB/GYN, family planning, dental care, speech and hearing therapy, laboratory services, and mental health/social services.

- Operating expenses for Charles Drew Family Life Center	\$ 226,511 CD	90,000 CD
--	---------------	-----------

- Footpatrolmen (Blue Hill Avenue from Talbot to Columbia and from Morton to Stratton) 48,000 CD

Elderly

- Elderly van Senior shuttle to operate out of the Lee Community School to provide transportation for medical, social, and recreational purposes to any elderly resident of Boston, age 60 or over 6,416 CD 16,000 CD

Special Projects and StudiesElm Hill Area

A study is being conducted to determine the need for lighting, street tree and utility improvements in this neighborhood.

Blue Hill Avenue Improvements (Urban Systems)

The City is currently involved in design of this project which is expected to be constructed in 1978.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

Community Development (CD) funding	\$1,356,350	\$ 876,000
------------------------------------	-------------	------------



HYDE PARK: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

In 1976, the Neighborhood Improvement Program will focus around neighborhood stabilization by encouraging housing repairs through the Housing Improvement Program, and by concentrating public and private improvements in the commercial districts, Cleary Square and Wolcott Square. Improvements are also scheduled for several recreational facilities which the community utilizes extensively.

In addition, planning efforts will be devoted to further revitalization of the commercial districts and toward upgrading streets and sidewalks throughout the community.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

1975

1976

- |  |               |              |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| - HIP - \$150,000 was initially budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 200 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowner demand, 1975 funds were increased to provide for the rehabilitation of 300 buildings. The program will be continued at the same level for 1976. | \$ 200,000 CD | \$ 200,000 C |
| - Electrical renovations in Fairmount Public Housing Development   | 45,000 CD     |              |
| - Restoration of vacant lots   | 8,000 CD      |              |

NEIGHBORHOOD

BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

As in 1975, the City will be continuing a major commitment to the revitalization of Cleary Square. Initial activities include:

- |  |            |           |
|--|------------|-----------|
| - Cleary Square  |            |           |
| - Sodium vapor lighting (Completed- December 1974)   | 70,500     |           |
| - Extension of existing Sodium lighting on Hyde Park Avenue (Clay Street - Star Market)  |            | 35,000 C  |
| - Phase II - (Hyde Park Ave. - Fairmont Street)  | 60,000     |           |
| - Site acquisition, demolition, and development of the Top Dollar Building site to be used as an off-street parking lot (Under Construction) | 310,316 CD |           |
| - Parking lot in Cleary Square - Site Improvements to Dana and Waterman  |            | 171,000 C |
| - Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bollards, etc., (50% match from businessmen)   |            | 10,000 C  |
| - Footpatrolmen (Cleary Square and Wolcott Square)   | 78,000 CD  | 78,000    |
| - Wolcott Square Improvements  |            | 25,000    |



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS19751976Public Facilities

- Hyde Park High School Renovation (In Judicial Review) \$ 8,000,000
- Police Station - District 5 (In Design) 240,000
- Municipal Building Renovation (In Design) 330,000

Parks

- Amatucci Playground
  - construction of children's play area (timber) game courts, water spray, passive area (Spring Construction) 174,000
  - tennis courts (Spring Construction) 44,179 CD
  - tot lot and general restoration 100,000 CD
- Ross Playground (In Design)
  - restore two ball diamonds (infields) floodlights, reconstruct game courts, two ballfields 80,000
- Readville Playground (In Design) 80,000 CD
  - new lighting and fencing

Public Works

- City's share for engineering and design of traffic signal improvements at American Legion Highway and Hyde Park Avenue (In Design) 4,500
- The City has recommended to the State that Chapter 90 funds be used for street construction on West Street from Hyde Park Avenue to Poplar Street.
- Lighting - Phase II
  - Cleary Square (Hyde Park Avenue - Fairmont Street) 60,000

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- The new health center in the Municipal building in Roslindale will service all of southwest Boston (See Roslindale)

Elderly

- Senior shuttle to provide transportation for social, and recreational purposes to elderly group of Boston, age 60 or over 6,416 CD 16,000 CD





IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Acquisition and renovation of old Beale Medical site (Center and Winthrop Streets) for parking lot.
2. Pedestrian way through River Street Storefront.
3. Selected sidewalk and street reconstruction.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) funding	\$ 941,911	\$ 715,000



# MATTAPAN: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Mattapan is a continuation and expansion of the 1975 program with an increased emphasis on housing rehabilitation, specifically in the Wellington Hill area, which will be one of four homesteading areas throughout the City. In addition to rehabilitation of selected HUD properties, the City's Housing Improvement Program will be concentrated in the homesteading area in conjunction with necessary street lighting and street repairs. The Housing Improvement Program will also be available in the remainder of Mattapan. Considerable improvements are also programmed for Almont Street and Walker Playgrounds.

## HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe, and dangerous buildings	\$ 13,250 CD	\$ 20,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation		5,000 CD
- Restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas	1,500 CD	
- HIP - Initially in 1975, \$125,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowner demand, 1975 funds were increased to provide for the rehabilitation of approximately 300 buildings.	175,000 CD	200,000 CD
- Homesteading - 1976 funds have been allocated for the continuation of the Urban Homesteading Demonstration Program in Wellington Hill to acquire, market and rehabilitate approximately 20 properties.	195,000 CD	245,000 CD

## NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Lighting for Mattapan Square - Phase II Blue Hill Avenue (Under Construction)	65,000	
- Off-street parking in Mattapan Square at Cummins Highway (Completed)	85,000	
- Lighting of the commercial node at Blue Hill Avenue and Walkhill Street (In Design, Spring Construction)	40,000 CD	
- Footpatrolmen (River Street Mattapan Square)	18,720 CD	18,720 CD



19751976

- |   |    |    |          |
|---|----|----|----------|
| - Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bollards etc., (50% match from businessmen) | \$ | \$ | 5,000 CD |
|---|----|----|----------|

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- |  |            |   |  |
|--|------------|---|--|
| - Mattapan Elementary School (Under Construction) First Phase - Physical Education Building  | 2,600,000  |   |  |
| - Academic Building (Under Construction)   | 11,000,000 |   |  |
| - A multiservice community center was a high priority among the residents of Mattapan. First-year funds were committed to study the development, feasibility and design of a facility. A request for a proposal has been circulated to a number of consultants, with selection scheduled for February 1st. | 150,000 CD | Contingent upon findings feasibility study. |  |

Parks

- |  |        |            |
|--|--------|------------|
| - Tree planting  |        | 25,000 CD  |
| - Walker Playground play equipment complex   |        | 100,000 CD |
| - Almont Street Park   |        |            |
| - two tennis courts  | 65,000 |            |
| - site improvements  |        | 100,000 CD |
| - community-based maintenance and recreation program for school age children. Activities will include: bicycle riding street hockey, soccer, tennis, basketball, volleyball and football. Indoor activities will include: pottery, painting, leatherwork, sewing, weaving and cooking. |        | 50,000 CD  |

Public Works

- |   |           |
|---|-----------|
| - Residential street lighting (Under Construction)  | 58,132 CD |
| - Sidewalk repairs - various locations (Spring Completion)  | 24,000 CD |
| - Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements at Cummins Highway and Woodhaven Street. This is the City's share to be matched with State funds. (Under Construction) | 4,500     |



19751976

- The City has recommended to the State that Chapter 90 funds be used for street reconstruction on River Street from Washinton Street to Blue Hill Avenue (Under Construction) and on Almont Street from Blue Hill Avenue to Walk Hill Street
- Public works improvements in the Wellington Hill homesteading area, street lighting and street and sidewalk repairs 100,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESHealth

- Avenue Neighborhood Health Center - 40,000 CD  
A comprehensive program to provide primary health care services including pediatrics, ob-gyn., adult internal, podiatry and dentistry. In addition, the center has complete family planning and nutritional services available. The 1976 budget includes funding for operating support in addition to Health and Hospitals outreach funding.

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

Capital Improvements

- Walk Hill Street Parking Lot
- Morton Street Parking Lot
- Walker Playground, Phase II
- Residential street lighting
- Street Reconstruction
- Water and Sewer Systems

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 675,602	\$ 908,720
------------------------------------	------------	------------





NORTH END/WATERFRONT: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The Neighborhood Improvement Program in the North End/Waterfront area is designed to enhance the existing quality of the neighborhood. Street lighting and other public improvements are designed to compliment the new recreational projects now underway in the community as well as the substantial private and public improvements within the Waterfront Renewal Project.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Funds will be used for the rehabilitation of approximately 65 buildings under the HIP program in 1975 and 1976	\$ 100,000 CD	\$ 75,000 CD
- The construction of 103 units of elderly housing by the BHA at Fulton and Richmond Streets (Under Construction)	3,700,000	
- Section #312 loan authority has been assigned for approved applications within the Waterfront Urban Renewal area	282,700	

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Public facilities

- North End-New Park (In Planning) development of total recreation complex	1,200,000	
- Battery Wharf Fire Station (In Planning)	2,600,000	
- Business District Amenities - trees, planters, benches, etc. (50% match from businessmen)		10,000 CD

Parks

- North Square restoration	25,000	
- Paul Revere Mall restoration including lighting (In Planning)	150,000	
- Improvements to Copps Hill Terrace (Bids received)	150,000	
- Rachel Revere Park, B-200 special project	88,000	
- DeFillipo Playground (Bids received)	40,000	
- Trees		40,000 CD

Public Works

- Residential Historic District streets lighting (Under Contract), to be continued in 1976 on North Washington, Commercial, Cross, Hanover, Salem, and Charter Streets	300,600 CD	250,000 CD
--	------------	------------



## North End/Waterfront

19751976

- Improvements to streets, sidewalks, sewer and water systems, and lighting (In Planning) \$ 1,000,000

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- Acquisition of North End Health Center 125,000
- North End Health Center, matching funds for Hill-Burton grant of \$393,880 to provide for structural renovations 39,388 CD
- Footpatrolmen (Hanover Street) 125,000 CD \$ 47,320 CD

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIESProject Activities: Waterfront Project

- Sea wall, wharf and walkway construction 510,000
- Sewers and drains 1,209,000 60,000
- Street construction and lighting 100,000
- Waterfront Park 1,650,000 480,000
- Parking facility 99,000
- Atlantic Avenue 600,000
- Dock Square 2,100,000
- Demolition 90,000
- Acquisition C-2 Parcel 60,000
- Court awards 523,000 200,000 CD
- Relocation 643,000 421,000
- Survey and Planning 50,000 5,000 CD
- Ancillary Expenses 13,624 16,000 CD
- Property Management 15,000 17,400 CD
- Project Administration 691,000 533,400 CD
- Interest on Notes 215,420 258,802 CD
- Total Urban Renewal Continuation \$ 8,569,044 \$ 1,991,602
- Subtotal CD Funding (1,030,602) CD

SPECIAL PROJECTS OR STUDIES

- Salem St. Pathway: Analysis of alternate sources of funding to improve safety and appearance of this Freedom Trail seaport.
- Cross St. Parking Lots: Analysis of alternate sources of funding to improve safety, and appearance of this site.
- Indoor Recreation: Study bath house/Polcari Playground site for construction of a year-around community recreation building.



## NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 564,988	\$ 1,452,922



ROSLINDALE: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Roslindale's Neighborhood Improvement Program for 1975 and 1976 is oriented toward strengthening the community's housing quality, both public and private, and revitalizing Roslindale Square, the local business district. Public works improvements on Cliffmont and Canterbury Streets will be coordinated with the construction of 119 units of elderly housing, on this site. In addition, neighborhood park facilities are being upgraded to meet the community's recreational needs.

Planning efforts will continue toward examining new recreational sites, considering re-use options for vacant land in the Southwest Corridor and coordinating public and private development activities in Roslindale Square.

HOUSING PROGRAMS19751976

- |   |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| - HIP - initially in 1975, \$150,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of approximately 200 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowner demand 1975 funds were reprogrammed to provide for the rehabilitation of 400 buildings. In 1976, funds will be available for the rehabilitation of approximately 300 more owner-occupied buildings | \$ 275,000 CD | \$ 225,000 CD |
| - The construction of 119 units of elderly housing funded through BHA at Cliffmont and Canterbury Streets (Turnkey - Final Planning)  | 4,250,000     |               |
| - Renovations at the Washington-Beech public housing project by the BHA. These renovations include boiler repairs and electrical work   | 213,400 CD    |               |
| - Archdale and Washington Housing Projects  |               |               |
| - security screens  |               | 200,000 CD    |
| - Improvements to basketball courts at Archdale Housing Projects  |               | 40,000 CD     |
| - Pestoration of vacant lots  |               | 10,000 CD     |

NEIGHBORHOODBUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

In 1975, the City is making an effort to revitalize neighborhood shopping centers. In Roslindale, this will include:

- |   |         |
|---|---------|
| - Roslindale Square   |         |
| - Sodium lighting (Fall 1974)                                   | 92,300  |
| - Construction of and sodium lighting for Taft Hill parking lot | 145,000 |





19751976

## - Rialto Theatre

- Demolition and acquisition \$ 22,000 CD
- Site development of lot adjacent to the Rialto Theatre (Construction Awarded) 173,052 CD
- Feasibility Study for Roslindale Square, under contract to the Roslindale Association for Community Development. 50,000 CD  
A consultant will be selected by Jan. 15
- Installation of lights and benches in Adams Park (Construction Ready To Begin) 36,378 CD
- Footpatrolmen. The footpatrol program for 1976 will double (Roslindale Square) 40,560 CD \$ 86,000 CD
- Business District amenities - trees, benches, bicycle racks, bollards, etc., (50% match from businessmen) 15,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Roslindale High School - general rehabilitation (In Design)
- Rehabilitation of Municipal Building for use as a health center which will be operated by the Greater Roslindale Health Organization, Inc. and will service the southwestern area of Boston. The 1975 budget was increased from 71,000 to 143,000 to provide for complete renovations (In Design) 143,500 CD

Public Works

- Cliffmont and Canterbury 130,000 CD
  - Traffic signal, sidewalk and street improvements, in support of new elderly housing development

Parks

- Fallon Field play equipment, street hockey rink (Complete) 75,000 125,000 CD
- Healy Field playfield (Bids Received) 75,000
- Construction of a parkway Little League Baseball Diamond on Baker Street 50,000 CD



19751976NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESYouth

- Roslindale Teen Center (In Review)

IN PLANNING:

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Barron School Recreational Facility
2. Re-Use of Southwest Corridor Land

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding

\$ 1,003,890

\$ 831,000



DRAFT

The goals of the 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program in Roxbury are the same as in 1975, to restore the confidence of residents and businessmen alike. It is the intention of the City to work with local residents in order to reverse disinvestment and abandonment through programs that invest public funds as well as providing incentives for private investment.

As in 1975, an energetic housing program is scheduled. In 1976, the Housing Improvement Program will be expanded considerably, including a higher rebate option for homeowners undertaking major repairs. Demolition and boarding programs will address the problem of abandonment and improved management of the REVIVAL program will expedite the sale of these vacant lots to abutters and for community use as Victory Gardens.

In addition, funds are allocated for park improvements and to social service agencies providing necessary human services. These services will complement improvements to the housing stock and to the public environment now underway.

<u>HOUSING PROGRAMS</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Clearance of abandoned and unsafe buildings (Approximately 200 structures from 1975 funding, with an additional 100 from 1976.)	\$ 429,000 CD	\$ 300,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (Approximately 30 structures from 1975 and another 30 from 1976 funding.)	35,000 CD	30,000 CD
- REVIVAL: restoration and improvement of vacant land in residential areas, including 6 Victory Gardens in 1975 and approximately 30 vacant lots for individual ownership. In 1976, funds for another 2 Victory Gardens and 35 vacant lots are budgeted at \$60,000	100,000 CD	60,000 CD
- Funds are reserved for the rehabilitation of approximately 225 buildings in Roxbury in 1975 under the HIP program. In 1976, the program will be expanded considerably, including a higher rebate option for homeowners undertaking major structural repairs	340,000 CD	550,000 CD
- The construction of 20 units of public housing funded through the BHA, completing the last of the 96 units of the Housing Inovations Inc., Infill Program	1,142,476	
- Section #312 loan authority has been assigned for approved application in the Kittredge Square and Brunswick King areas.	131,800	
- Modernization of Orchard Park public housing through the BHA		
- Heating renovations, exterior doors, exterior painting (Program in Progress with previously approved funds.)		840,000



- In 1976, the City expects additional 312 loan authority from \$1-5 million. A share of this authority will be made available throughout the Highland Park area, including non-renewal areas

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Madison Park Campus High \$40,000,000  
(First 3 Buildings Under Construction for '77 Finish)
- Dudley Regional Library 1,800,000  
(30% Complete-Est. Aug. '76 Complete)
- Grove Hall Fire Station (Bids Received) 1,100,000
- Spanish Alliance Social Services Center 172,645 CD  
(Construction to Begin Shortly)
- Wesleyan Holiness Church, renovation of basement for a day care center 13,000 CD

Parks

- Connolly Playground (Under Construction) 150,000  
playfields
- Crawford Playground (Under Construction) 75,000  
playfields
- Highland Park (Working Drawings For Toiner Base Restoration Under Construction) 75,000  
restoration of monument
- Highland Park: Renovation of Monument Tower \$ 120,000 CD
- Shirley-Eustis House Park, restoration of grounds (Completed) 25,000
- Woodcliff Play area (Completed) tot lot, 60,000  
passive area, decorative fence, benches, game tables, trees
- Fenwick Playground (Pending School Department and Parks Department approval) 35,000 CD
- Tree Planting 50,000 CD
- Highland Park open space maintenance program 50,000 CD





## MISSION HILL: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program in Mission Hill is a continuation of the 1975 program, with continued emphasis on improvements to the public housing projects. These improvements to public housing coupled with those made through the Housing Improvement Program and Neighborhood Housing Services, should have a substantial impact on stabilizing the community.

HOUSING PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- The renovation of the public housing at Mission Hill and Mission Hill Extension by the BHA. These renovations will include window replacement, elevator repairs, security screens, roofing and internal systems, and involve a continuation of the program originally proposed for 1975.	\$ 1,455,000 CD	\$ 1,000,000 CD
- \$75,000 was budgeted for Mission Hill for the rehabilitation of approximately 60 buildings in 1975 under the HIP program. To continue these efforts, additional funds will be budgeted for 1976 from the Jamaica Plain office.	25,000 CD	
- Matching grant to Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS) revolving loan fund program. NHS is a special program involving homeowners, the City, and banks all cooperating to encourage more mortgage lending in this area.	50,000 CD	50,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

- Footpatrolmen (Brigham Circle)	65,520 CD	65,520 CD
- Business District Amenties - trees, benches, bicycle racks, bollards, etc., (50% match from businessmen)		5,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSParks

- Jefferson Playground (Drawings Being Revised) play equipment complex	50,000	
- Mission Hill Playground (In Design)	75,000	
- Improved street lighting on Tremont Street from Brigham Circle to Roxbury Crossing. (Under Construction)	125,000 CD	
- Parker and Tremont Playground		60,000 CD



1975

- Parker Hill Little League diamond restoration

40,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- Elderly van  
Senior shuttle to operate out of the Hennigan Community School to provide transportation for social, and recreational purposed to elderly groups age 60 or over.

\$ 6,106 CD

\$ 16,000 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding.

1. Renovate and repair basketball courts and tot lots in Mission Hill project.
2. Street and sidewalk reconstruction (various locations)

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES

Community Development (CD) Funding

1,726,626

1,286,520



DRAFT

JAMAICA PLAIN: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program for Jamaica Plain focuses on the preservation and rehabilitation of the housing stock. The Housing Improvement Program, which has been heavily utilized in the past year, will be continued with an increased budget for 1976. Particular emphasis is placed on addressing the problem of abandonment: funds will be available for support of the homesteading program as well as the boarding and demolition of abandoned buildings.

Major investments are planned for Jamaica Plain's business districts with an emphasis on supporting the revitalization of Hyde Square. Construction of a new off-street parking lot, installation of business district amenities, and initiation of a storefront rehabilitation program will all contribute to improvement of the Hyde Square business area. The storefront rehabilitation program will also be available on Centre Street and the foot patrol program will be continued in Egleston Square and on Centre Street.

Capital improvements will be concentrated on two playground facilities and the installation of residential street lighting established programs which were also funded last year.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Homesteading Parts of Jamaica Plain have been selected as a target area for the City's Urban Homesteading program. Funding will be available from 1975 and 1976 for low-interest loans and other costs of this demonstration program	\$ 90,000 CD	\$ 60,000 CD
- Funds were budgeted for the rehabilitation of approximately 240 buildings in 1975 under the HIP program. To encourage participation in this program, a site office was established for Jamaica Plain at 20 Barbara Street. The program will be continued in 1976	300,000 CD	300,000 CD
- Modernization of the public housing on Heath Street	448,000	
- Clearance of abandoned, unsafe, and dangerous buildings (Approximately 22 buildings in 1975 and another 30 buildings in 1976)	55,405 CD	75,000 CD
- Securing of vacant buildings for future rehabilitation (Approximately 12 buildings in 1975 and another 7 buildings in 1976)	18,520 CD	10,000 CD
- REVIVAL: - restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas including 3 Victory Gardens and approximately 20 vacant lots for individual ownership. In 1976, funds for more Victory Gardens and 20 vacant lots are budgeted at \$60,000	68,500 CD	60,000 CD



NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Sodium lighting on Centre Street (Complete)	150,000	
- Off-street parking lot at Centre and Thomas Street (Complete)	85,000	
- Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements at Egleston Square and Columbia Avenue. This is the City's share to be matched with State funds	4,500	
- Footpatrolmen (Egleston Square, Centre Street and Hyde Square)	106,080 CD	130,000 CD
- Storefront Improvement Program		20,000 CD
- Hyde Square	25,000 CD	
- Centre Street		
- Hyde Sq. Parking Lot - Construction		75,000 CD
- Parking lot at Child and South - lease for community use		5,000 CD
- Business District Amenities, Egleston, Hyde Square, and Centre Street		15,000 CD

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Public Facilities

- Construction of Brookside Park Family Life Center ( See NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES)	1,500,000
- Completion of construction at N.I.C.E. Day Care and Brookside Family Life Center	225,000 CD
- Jamaica Plain Police Station (In Judicial Review)	1,100,000
- Renovation of the woodworking shop for youth programs at Washington Street (Contract to be Awarded)	10,000 CD
- Renovation of the Neighborhood House (Contract to be Awarded)	138,000
- SW II High School (In Design)	
- Renovation of Martha Eliot Health Center (In Planning)	190,000 CD
- Southern Jamaica Plain Health Center match for Hill-Burton funding of \$134,460	13,446 CD





<u>Parks</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Daisey Field playfield and floodlights, refurbished walks, lighting, trees, joggers' track, benches, drainage	225,000	
- Jamaicaway and Jamaica Pond (In Construction)	425,000	
- Mozart Street Play Area play equipment complex (Complete)	100,000	
- Burroughs Street Tot lot (Complete)	209,334	
- South Street Mall two basketball courts, benches, trees, sitting area (Complete)		
- Jefferson Playground play equipment complex (In Design Revision)		50,000 CD
- Wachusett St. Playground	84,000	
- Lighting		55,000 CD
- Rossmore and Stedman Playground - site improvements		50,000 CD

Public Works

- Residential street lighting	309,200 CD	110,000 CD
- Lighting for Forest Hills Area - Phase II (Hyde Park Avenue-Washington Street) Under Construction	65,000	
- Street construction	30,000 CD	
- Sidewalk reconstruction	30,000 CD	

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESHealth

- Brookside Park Family Life Center Comprehensive program to provide primary health care services, including mental health counselling and dentistry, in conjunction with matching Health and Hospital grants	170,000 CD	100,000 CD
- Martha Eliot Health Center - A program to provide primary health care services, CD funding in conjunction with other municipal and federal grants		30,000 CD

Elderly

- Elderly van - Senior Shuttle to operate out of the Agassiz Community School to provide transportation for medical, social, and recreational purposes to any elderly group of Boston, age 60 or over	6,416 CD	16,000 CD
---	----------	-----------



Day Care19751976

- N.I.C.E., Inc. A comprehensive program of day care services for children and an early education program (Matching share with Mass. Department of Public Welfare under Title XX)

49,000 CD

50,000 CD

Youth/Recreation

- Club Hispano - a program of recreation activities including athletics, arts and crafts, and field trips

12,500 CD

25,000 CD

IN PLANNING

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations. These projects will be put in a priority category for future funding

1. Egleston Square Parking Lot
2. Sidwalk reconstruction (Various Locations)
3. Purchase parking lot at Child/South Streets
4. Jamaicaway/Jamaica Pond Improvements

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SUMMARY EXPENDITURES19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding

\$ 1,709,067

\$ 1,236,000



19751976Public Works

- Sodium lighting - Dudley Station 300,000
- Street lights Warren, Elm Hill to Townsend St.; Washington, Dudley Station to Egleston Square (Spring Completion) 293,200 CD 150,000 CD
- Sidewalk patch-paving (Completed) 6,787 CD
- Traffic Operations Program to Increase Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on Urban Roadways
  - Dudley Terminal (Under Construction) \$ 1,000,000
- Lighting for Grove Hall area - Phase II (Blue Hill Avenue-Warren Street; Washington Street-Geneva Avenue) 130,000
- The City has recommended to the state that Chapter 90 funds be used for street reconstruction on Mass. Ave. from Albany St. to Columbus Ave. and on Washington Street from Guild to East Hills Square .
- Engineering costs for the study and design of traffic improvements for the following areas. This is the City's share for matching funds from Urban Systems:
  - Columbia Road from Penn Central to Blue Hill Ave. 30,000

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
AND NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICTS

- The Economic Development Administration has committed funds for a technical assistance grant to study the feasibility of industrial development of certain parcels in the Southwest Corridor 104,214
- CDBG funds have also been committed to match the Economic Development Administration funds in the Southwest Corridor development study, and to provide administrative support for the Community Development Corporation 45,786 CD
- Footpatrol 95,680 CD 95,680 CD
- Southwest Corridor Signing - redesign of signs in and around Dudley Terminal 30,000 CD
- Business District Amenities, (Dudley Terminal and Grove Hall) 10,000 CD



19751976

- trees, benches, bollards, etc.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESHealth

- Dimock Community H.C. - Program to provide mental health counselling and continuation of a Title IV A Contract 45,000 CD 35,000 CD

Elderly

- Council of Elders - Comprehensive program to provide supportive services including counselling, recreation and nutritional programs to the elderly 195,200 CD 152,000 CD
- Elderly van - Senior Shuttle to operate out of the Council of Elders providing transportation for medical, social, and recreational purposes to any elderly resident of Boston age 60 or over 6,416 CD 16,000 CD

Day Care

- R.A.M.A. Inc. - Program offering bi-lingual early childhood education to children age 3 to 5 22,700 CD 23,000 CD

Other

- Womens' Improvement League - Program for women involving arts and crafts, athletics, sewing, cooking, and special events. 16,600 CD 30,000 CD
- Alianza Hispana - Hispanic multi-service center offering programs in English as a second language, vocational counseling, crisis intervention, and information and referral 205,000 CD 140,000 CD
- F.I.R.S.T. Inc. - Self-help residential drug rehabilitation program including training in vocational skills development 76,000 CD 60,000 CD





## Roxbury

19751976

- Model Cities Administration - Subsequent to the closure of the Model Cities Administration, a small staff will oversee closeout of Model Cities until July as required by Federal regulations. This process will include final payment and closure of all records, final evaluation, and final audit \$ 694,902 CD
- Prior to the termination of its enabling ordinance in July, the Model Neighborhood Board conducted citizen participation and monitoring activities in the Model Neighborhood Area 346,619 CD
- Roxbury Comprehensive Community Health Center (in review)
- Boy's Club (in review)

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIESProject Activities: KITTRIDGE SQUARE

- acquisitions of property	36,500	
- court awards		\$ 10,500
- Site prep 1 & 2		1,200,000
- demolition	4,800	
- Matching Share	90,000	
- Cash requirement	736,107	
- Relocation	120,000	67,610
- Rehabilitation (312)		
- Ancillary Expenses	15,900	500
- Property Management	5,900	
- Project Administration	17,250	4,000
- Interest on Notes	51,487	13,703
Subtotal Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 1,077,944	\$ 1,296,313

Project Activities: CAMPUS HIGH

- Site prep 5 Roxbury St.	170,000	
- Site prep 5A Dillaway Park	212,500	
- demolition	63,900	200,000
- acquisitions of property	939,500	462,000
- court awards	119,210	110,000
- Cash outlay	2,741,270	1,647,097
- Relocation	1,193,955	800,000



## Roxbury

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Rehabilitation (312)		100,000
- Survey and Planning		12,400
- Ancillary Expenses	54,000	70,000
- Property Management	153,445	220,000
- Project Administration	258,156	257,120
- Interest on Notes	<u>210,054</u>	
Subtotal Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 6,115,990	\$ 3,878,617
<u>Project Activities: WASHINGTON PARK</u>		
- court awards	20,000	35,000
- street & utilities	65,000	
- Trotter Playground	155,000	
- Relocation		700
- Ancillary Expenses	2,100	
- Property Management	3,100	
- Project Administration	400	100
- Interest on Notes	<u>53,283</u>	<u>9,389</u>
Subtotal Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 298,883	\$ 45,189
<u>Project Activities: BRUNSWICK KING</u>		
- streets & utilities	203,000	
- landscape design	29,000	
- Relocation		
- Rehabilitation (312)		
- Ancillary Expenses	4,000	
- Property Management		
- Project Administration	15,000	3,000
- Interest on Notes	<u>34,900</u>	<u>9,585</u>
Subtotal Urban Renewal Continuation	\$ 285,900	\$ 12,585
Total Urban Renewal Continuation	<u>\$ 7,778,717</u>	<u>\$ 5,232,704</u>
<u>NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:</u>		
	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 3,174,535	\$ 1,901,680



SOUTH BOSTON: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DRAFT

The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program is a continuation and expansion of the 1975 program. Again, the emphasis is on halting industrial encroachment and residential deterioration, preserving and enhancing the stable elements of the community and restoring Broadway as a viable business and social district.

Community Development funds are being used to improve the housing stock by providing necessary technical and financial assistance for the rehabilitation of owner occupied structures and by making necessary improvements in the D Street and Mary Ellen McCormack housing projects.

Public improvements in the business district and treeplanting on residential streets and parks will complement the investments in the housing stock.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- HIP - initially in 1975, \$100,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of approximately 100 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowner demand '75 funds were increased to provide for the rehabilitation of 300 buildings. This program will be expanded in 1976, including the availability of a higher rebate for major structural repairs by homeowners in the lower end of South Boston	\$ 200,000 CD	\$ 250,000 CD
- Security doors for D St. Housing Project		120,000 CD
- Mary Ellen McCormack - electrical repairs federal modernization (program already in progress with previously approved funds)		387,000
- Modernization of Kitchens		130,000 CD
- The construction of 68 units for elderly housing by the BHA (Out To Bid - State 667 Program) (Program already in progress with previously approved funds)	1,836,000	
- Renovation of Old Colony Public Housing, including security screens and security doors (In Planning)	436,500 CD	
- REVIVAL:		
- Restoration and improvement of vacant lots in residential areas (approximately 20 vacant lots and another 16 lots in 1976)	43,000 CD	30,000 CD
- Clearance of abandoned and unsafe buildings (approximately 21 structures in 1975 and another 15 in 1976)	51,600 CD	40,000 CD
- Boarding of abandoned and unsafe buildings (approximately 10 buildings in 1975 and another 5 in 1976)	20,000 CD	10,000 CD



- NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

19751976

- Footpatrolmen - upper and lower Broadway St. 99,840 CD
- Storefront Improvement Program 20,000 CD
- Business District Amenities - trees, trash receptacles, bollards (50% Match From Business Men) 15,000 CD
- Sidewalk Improvements 30,000 CD
- Parking lot on West Broadway (pending bonding ability) 200,000

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Public facilities

- Andrew/O'Reilly Elementary School 8,512,000
- Norcross Elementary School 9,200,000
- A multi-service community center was a high priority among the residents of South Boston. City planners are now working with local residents on the feasibility of this project 75,000 CD
- South Boston Fire Station (Under Construction) 1,100,000
- Municipal Building and Courthouse (In Planning) 500,000
- Police District #6 (In Planning) 250,000
- South Boston Health Center - Interior Renovation 240,000 CD

Parks

- Columbus Park
  - play equipment 180,000
  - Columbus Park Field House (Under Construction) 40,000
- Independence Park (In Planning) play equipment complex 75,000
  - general restoration (In Planning) 99,380 CD
- Lee Playground (Under Construction) softball field 100,000
  - site improvements (Under Construction) 60,629 CD





19751976

- Thomas Park
  - restoration of monument 100,000
  - design for NPS grant 20,000 CD
  - Park improvements, Match for NPS grant 160,000 CD
- Tree Planting 70,000 CD

Public works

- Improved residential lighting (Under Contract) 276,800 CD
- Business district lighting for sections of Broadway (In Design) 90,000
- Traffic Operations Program to Increase Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on Urban Roadways 300,000
  - Old Colony Avenue (Under Construction)
- Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements at:
  - West Fifth St., A St., and Dorchester Ave. (In Planning) 4,500
  - E St., Broadway and L St. (In Planning) 4,500

This is the City's share, to be matched with State funds.

- Lighting for Perkins Square/Broadway area - Phase II (East Broadway-West Broadway - Dorchester Street) 110,000
- Seaport Access Route, Environmental Impact Study, City share, to be matched by Massport (125,000)

This study will facilitate budgeting of highway funds for road construction, which will assist in job development of the Naval Annex and reduce truck traffic on the streets of South Boston

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICESElderly

- Elderly van - Senior Shuttle to provide transportation for medical, social, and recreational purposed to any elderly resident of Boston, age 60 or over 6,416 CD 16,000 CD



19751976IN PLANNING:

Indicated below are neighborhood priority projects which could not be funded for 1976 because of capital budget limitations these projects will be put in a priority category for future funding

Special Projects or Studies

1. Community Center - A study will be conducted to determine the feasibility of a community center in South Boston
2. Naval Annex Reuse - Work will continue to secure additional jobs for the annex

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM19751976

Community Development (CD) Funding

1,289,325

1,295,840



The primary focus of the City's development effort in West Roxbury is to preserve and maintain existing residential neighborhoods. The Housing Improvement Program has been instrumental in preserving the existing housing.

Public improvements, particularly in the form of parks and tennis courts, will complement the residential characteristics of this neighborhood. The redesign of Centre Street coupled with public and private investments will enhance the existing vitality of West Roxbury.

HOUSING PROGRAMS19751976

- |  |               |               |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| - HIP - initially in 1975, \$150,000 was set aside for the rehabilitation of approximately 200 buildings. In order to meet increased homeowners demand, '75 funds were increased to provide for the rehabilitation of 400 buildings. Funds will be budgeted for 1976 to provide for another 250 buildings. | \$ 300,000 CD | \$ 175,000 CD |
| - The construction of 96 units of elderly by the BHA at Spring and Temple Streets. (In Design, Spring Construction)  | 2,970,600     |               |

NEIGHBORHOODBUSINESS DISTRICT PROGRAM

In 1975, the City undertook a major commitment to Centre Street. These activities will be continued and expanded in 1976.

- |  |            |           |
|--|------------|-----------|
| - Lighting for Centre Street   |            |           |
| - Phase II   | 35,000     |           |
| - Sodium Lighting (Complete)   | 150,000    |           |
| - Pope's Lumber Site:  |            |           |
| - Acquisition of two acres of the Pope's Lumber site for use as a parking lot, as part of a longer range development program. (Complete) | 150,477 CD |           |
| - Development of parking at Pope's Lumber site Phase II (In Progress)  | 200,000    |           |
| - Development of remaining site  |            |           |
| - Footpatrolmen  | 74,880 CD  | 47,320 CD |
| - Business District Amenities - trees, benches, bicycle racks, etc., (50% match from businessmen)  |            | 10,000 CD |
| - Storefront Improvement Program   |            | 10,000 CD |
| - Traffic Design of Centre Street  | 115,000 CD |           |



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSPublic Facilities

- Southwest High School (Under Construction) \$15,900,000

Parks

- Billings Field 252,000
  - play equipment (In Design)
  - restoration of ball field and floodlights (completed)
- Draper Playground (Under Construction)
  - playfield 100,000
  - tennis courts 41,179
- Hynes Playground 100,000
  - play equipment complex (Construction Ready to Begin)
- Construction of a Little League Baseball Diamond on Baker Street (Completed) 50,000 CD
- Ohrenberger School tennis courts 40,000
- Construction of four additional lighted courts (site to be selected) \$ 250,000 CD

Public Works

- Engineering studies and design for traffic signal improvements at Church and Weld Streets. This share will be matched by State funds. (In Design) 4,500
- Signalization: Spring and Summer (Under Construction) 18,000 CD

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- The health center located at the Municipal Building in Roslindale will service the southwestern section of Boston. (see Roslindale)
- Parkway Boys Club Renovation 40,000 CD
- Elderly 6,416 CD 16,000 CD
  - Senior shuttle to provide social and recreational purposes to any elderly resident of Boston, age 60 or over.





SPECIAL STUDIES

- Re-use of Gardner Street Dump
- Betterment improvements to "Grove" area
- Land-use of West Roxbury Quarry and immediate area. There is a need to complete a reuse plan and to set development guideline for the site.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Community Development (CD) Funding	\$ 754,773	\$ 508,320



The 1976 Neighborhood Improvement Program in the South End is a continuation of the 1975 program with emphasis on safeguarding and complementing activities begun under the urban renewal project. Funds have also been invested in an number of human service organizations in order to complement the physical investments in the development of this neighborhood.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- Housing Rehabilitation Program - Funds will be used for the rehabilitation of approximately 65 structures in the South End in 1975 under the Housing Improvement Program. In 1976, funds are reserved for a South End Housing Rehabilitation Program.	\$ 100,000 CD	\$ 250,000 C
- Section #312 loans have been assigned for previously approved applicants in the South End area	2,922,305	
- Modernization of public housing on Harrison Avenue, funded through the BHA	86,000	
- Renovation of Cathedral Public Housing, including roof repairs	121,250 CD	500,000 C
- Clearance of abandoned and unsafe buildings (Approximately 60 Structures)	12,500 CD	
- REVIVAL: restoration & improvement of vacant lots in residential areas including 2 Victory Gardens and approximately 5 vacant lots for individual ownership in 1975. In 1976, funds for another Victory Garden and more vacant lots are budgeted	34,500 CD	15,000 C

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTPublic Facilities

- Blackstone Square Elementary School (Completed)	10,100,000
- Carter Elementary/Middle School (In Judicial Review) (In Design)	13,706,500

Parks

- Peters Park	620,842
---------------	---------

Public Works

- Traffic Operation Program to Increase Capacity and Safety (TOPICS) on Urban Roadways	
- Columbus Avenue/Tremont Street (In Design)	1,500,000



19751976

- Mass Ave traffic signal modernization (Complete)

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

- Footpatrolmen (Tremont Street, Columbus and Shawmut Avenues)

24,960 CD

Day Care

- Infants and Other People, Inc.  
A program of after-school day care services for children of low income and working families (Matching Share

8,500 CD

10,000 CD

With Mass. Department of Public Welfare Under Title XX)

Youth/Recreation

- United Neighbors of Lower Roxbury  
A program of recreation activities including a youth tutoring program, athletics, art workshops, and games
- Cooper Community Center a program of recreation activities including athletics, youth counselling, camperships, and an education program

2,700 CD

20,000 CD

2,700 CD

30,000 CD

Other

Neighborhood Programs serving the residents of the South End in conjunction with the physical improvement components of the South End Neighborhood Improvement Program.

64,000 CD

- United South End Settlements a program of social services including family counselling services, youth activities, tenant counselling, and elderly services

34,000

URBAN RENEWAL ACTIVITIESProject Activities

- Site prep 35 Dwight, Milford, etc.
- Property acquisitions - 8 bars
- 16 buildings
- Real Estate Court Awards
- Demolition - Various sites
- Demolition Contract 24 - Various Locations
- Parcel 11 B
- Site prep 16
- Site prep W 16
- Site prep 36

1,080,000 CD

370,500 CD

978,850

581,875 CD

575,000 CD

152,700 CD

100,000

37,800

754,000

1,262,700

402,500

1,265,000



	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
- New Rotch Playground	300,000	
- Cleaning and lining water mains	1,114,749	
- lighting for parks	205,000	
- Park construction	190,000	
- Sewer pumping station	4,400,000	1,514,099
- Tremont and Columbus Sewer & Drains	1,080,000	
- Tremont and Columbus Engineering		350,000
- Relocation	2,041,000	1,500,000
	15,000 CD	
- Survey and Planning	200,000 CD	10,000 CD
	165,000	90,000
- Ancillary Expenses	96,000 CD	75,000 CD
	20,000	
- Property Management	47,170 CD	845,307 CD
	516,900	
- Project Administration	1,105,000 CD	600,000 CD
- Interest on Notes	486,209	382,080 CD
Total Urban-Renewal Continuation	<u>\$14,813,253</u>	<u>\$10,096,186</u>
Subtotal	3,277,745	2,857,887 CD
<u>NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Community Development (CD) Funding	3,584,855	3,780,887

124  
34







BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY



3 9999 06316 429 5



